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HEALTH TECHNOLOGY APPRAISAL PROGRAMME

Equality impact assessment – Guidance development STA Ofatumumab for treating relapsing multiple sclerosis

The impact on equality has been assessed during this appraisal according to the principles of the NICE equality scheme.

Final appraisal determination

(when no ACD was issued)

Have the potential equality issues identified during the scoping 1. process been addressed by the committee, and, if so, how?

Not applicable. No potential equality issues were identified during the scoping process.

2. Have any other potential equality issues been raised in the submissions, expert statements or academic report, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these?

The treatment is self-administered at home and therefore has the potential to reduce inequalities for patients unable to travel due to disabilities.

3. Have any other potential equality issues been identified by the committee, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these?

No other potential equality issues were identified by the committee.

4. Do the recommendations make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access the technology compared with other groups?

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If so, what are the barriers to, or difficulties with, access for the specific group?

No.

5. Is there potential for the recommendations to have an adverse impact on people with disabilities because of something that is a consequence of the disability?

No, the recommendations should have a positive impact on people with disabilities.

6. Are there any recommendations or explanations that the committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to, or difficulties with, access identified in questions 4 or 5, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to promote equality?

Not applicable.

7. Have the committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the final appraisal determination, and, if so, where?

Not applicable. The treatment should improve equality issues.

Approved by Associate Director (name): Henry Edwards

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