

National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence

Clinical guideline: Food allergy in children and young people

PRE-PUBLICATION CHECK

Organisation	Section number in FULL guideline	Page number	ERROR REPORT	RESPONSE
Department of Health	1.1.5	9	<p>We are concerned the recommendation 1.1.5 may be too vague to be of practical help in primary care: "trial of elimination of suspected allergen normally for between 2 and 6 weeks." When should it be 2 weeks rather than 3,4.5 or 6? In response to improvement? Is that different for differing symptoms e.g. vomiting vs eczema ?</p> <p>The next statement is "reintroduce after trial" How rapidly?</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The length of time for the trial of elimination will vary according to the suspected allergen. Advice on the timings and reintroduction should be sought from a dietitian. We have therefore clarified this in the recommendation and it now reads: 'Seek advice from a dietitian with appropriate competencies, about nutritional adequacies, timings of elimination and reintroduction, and follow-up'.</p>
Department of Health	General		<p>We think a bit more guidance in this area would be helpful even if based on an expert opinion level of evidence as it's an area of great variation of practice.</p>	<p>Thank you.</p>
Food Standards Agency	General		<p><i>Many of the journal references cited in either the tables and/or text of the Guideline document itself do not seem to be listed in the Reference list (e.g. Ewan et al., 1996; Lack et a 2008; Cochrane et al., 2009.) It is important that all references cited in the full guideline</i></p>	<p><i>Thank you for your comment. These journal references have now been added to the Reference list.</i></p>

			<i>document are listed in the reference list within that same document so that they are identifiable and accessible to readers. This needs checking before the full Guideline is published.</i>	
Royal College of Nursing	General		There are no factual errors to report.	Thank you.