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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Looked-after children and young people (update)

The impact on equality has been assessed during guidance development according to the principles of the NICE equality policy.

2.0 Checking for updates and scope: after consultation (to be completed by the Developer and submitted with the revised scope)

2.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during consultation, and, if so, what are they?

During stakeholder consultation the following equality issues, in addition to those discussed in section 1.0, were highlighted:

- Children and young people who are at risk or victims of female genital mutilation
- Children at risk of forced marriages
- Children and young people with speech, language and communication needs
- Children and young people who do not speak English or whose first language is not English
- Children and young people with sensory needs
- Children and young people with neuro-developmental vulnerabilities

2.2 Have any changes to the scope been made as a result of consultation to highlight potential equality issues?

Following stakeholder consultation changes were made to the scope to include children and young people at risk of female genital mutilation and those with communication needs under the specific considerations section of the scope. In

addition for the groups listed in section 2.1 positive outcomes are known to be more difficult to achieve in these population groups and therefore specific recommendations in these groups may need to be made to address this.

2.3 Is the primary focus of the guideline a population with a specific disability-related communication need?

If so, do the key messages for the public need to be produced in an alternative version?

If so, which alternative version is recommended?

The alternative versions available are:

- large font or audio versions for a population with sight loss
- British Sign Language videos for a population deaf from birth
- 'Easy read' versions for people with learning disabilities or cognitive impairment.

Does an alternative version(s) of the consultation documents also need to be produced?

This guideline is for looked after children and young people. This will include children and young people with disability-related communication needs. However, as the guideline is for all children and young people there is not a need for an alternative version of the guideline.

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