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Single Technology Appraisal (STA)

Alitretinoin for the treatment of severe chronic hand eczema

Matrix of consultees and commentators

Consultees	Commentators (no right to submit or appeal)
Manufacturers/sponsors Basilea Medical (alitretinoin) Patient/carer groups Action Against Allergy Afiya Trust Age Concern England Allergy UK Black Health Agency British Ethnic Health Awareness Foundation Changing faces Chinese National Healthy Living Centre	 General Age Concern Cymru Board of Community Health Councils in Wales British National Formulary Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety for Northern Ireland Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency National Public Health Service for Wales NHS Alliance NHS Confederation NHS Purchasing and Supply Agency
 Confederation of Indian Organisations Counsel and Care Equalities National Council Help the Aged 	 NHS Quality Improvement Scotland Scottish Medicines Consortium Possible comparator manufacturer(s)
 Muslim Council of Great Britain Muslim Health Network National Eczema Society 	 GlaxoSmithKline (azathioprine) Norvartis (ciclosporin) Relevant research groups
Skin Care CampaignSouth Asian Health FoundationSpecialised Healthcare Alliance	 Cochrane Skin Group, Centre of Evidence-based Dermatology, University of Nottingham National Institute for Health Research
 Professional groups Association of National Health Occupational Physicians British Association for Services to the Elderly British Association of Dermatologists British Contact Dermatitis Society British Dermatological Nursing Group British Geriatrics Society 	 Policy Research Institute on Ageing and Ethnicity Research Institute for the Care of Older People Skin Research Centre Skin Treatment & Research Trust The British Epidermo-Epidemiology Society UK Clinical Research Network

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Consultees	Commentators (no right to submit or appeal)
 British Skin Foundation Community Practitioners and Health Visitors Association National Association of Primary Care Primary Care Dermatology Society Royal College of General Practitioners Royal College of Nursing Royal College of Physicians Royal Pharmaceutical Society Royal Society of Medicine – Intellectual Disabilities Forum United Kingdom Clinical Pharmacy Association 	 Evidence Review Group NHS Centre for Reviews & Dissemination and Centre for Health Economics - University of York National Coordinating Centre for Health Technology Assessment Associated Guideline Groups National Collaborating Centre for Chronic conditions Associated Public Health Groups None
 Others Barnsley PCT Brent PCT Department of Health Welsh Assembly Government 	

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Please let us know if we have missed any important organisations from the lists contained within the matrix and which organisations we should include who have a particular focus on relevant equality issues.

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Definitions:

Consultees

Organisations that accept an invitation to participate in the appraisal; the manufacturer(s) or sponsor(s) of the technology; national professional organisations; national patient organisations; the Department of Health and the Welsh Assembly Government and relevant NHS organisations in England.

The manufacturer/sponsor of the technology is invited to make an evidence submission, respond to consultations and has the right to appeal against the Final Appraisal Determination (FAD).

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All non-manufacturer/sponsor consultees are invited to submit a statement¹, respond to consultations, nominate clinical specialists or patient experts and have the right to appeal against the Final Appraisal Determination (FAD).

Commentators

Organisations that engage in the appraisal process but that are not asked to prepare an evidence submission or statement, are able to respond to consultations and they receive the FAD for information only, without right of appeal. These organisations are: manufacturers of comparator technologies; NHS Quality Improvement Scotland; the relevant National Collaborating Centre (a group commissioned by the Institute to develop clinical guidelines); other related research groups where appropriate (for example, the Medical Research Council [MRC], National Cancer Research Institute); other groups (for example, the NHS Confederation, NHS Information Authority and NHS Purchasing and Supplies Agency, and the *British National Formulary*.

All non-manufacturers/sponsors commentators are invited to nominate clinical specialists or patient experts.

Evidence Review Group (ERG)

An independent academic group commissioned by the NHS Research and Development Health Technology Assessment Programme (HTA Programme) to assist the Appraisal Committee in reviewing the manufacturer/sponsor evidence submission to the Institute.

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¹ Non manufacturer consultees are invited to submit statements relevant to the group they are representing.