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Health Technology Appraisal

Donepezil, galantamine, rivastigmine and memantine for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease (review of TA 111)

Response to consultee and commentator comments on the provisional matrix of consultees and commentators (pre-referral)

Version of matrix of consultees and commentators reviewed:					
Provisional matrix of consultees and commentators sent for consultation					
Summary of comments, action taken, and justification of action:					
	<i>Proposal:</i>	<i>Proposal made by:</i>		<i>Action taken:</i> Removed/Added/Not included/Noted	<i>Justification:</i>
1	I think the Northern Ireland axis needs included, given that NICA applies in NI. Pfizer market Donepezil so should they be included? The UK Psychiatric Pharmacy group are a relevant representative group when it comes to these medications.	British Geriatrics Society		Noted Pfizer to be added with Eisai. Added	Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety for Northern Ireland are included.

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2	<p>We would suggest the following organisations should be approached to act as consultees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Concern England/Help the Aged • National Pensioners Convention • For Dementia • Down's Syndrome Association • Mencap • Stroke association • Royal College of Psychiatrists (Faculty of the psychiatry of old age and Faculty of the psychiatry of learning disability) 	Alzheimer's Society	<p>Age Concern and Help the Aged - added.</p> <p>National Pensioners Convention – added</p> <p>For Dementia were already included under 'Professional Group'</p> <p>Down's Syndrome Association – added.</p> <p>Mencap – added.</p> <p>Stroke Association – not included.</p> <p>Royal College of Psychiatrists – added.</p>	<p>The 'Stroke Association' have not been included as they are not considered directly related to the disease area.</p>
3	Suggest adding the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services to professional consultee list	CSU appraisals	Added	

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4	<p>The Royal College of Psychiatrists should be added as a consultee.</p> <p>Pfizer along with Eisai should be listed.</p> <p>It is not clear why companies are listed both as consultees and commentators.</p> <p>It is not clear that the Royal College of Pathologists can provide meaningful input to this Appraisal.</p> <p>Two PCTs are listed as consultees but no secondary care Trust. NICE Guidance indicates that all initiation of anti-dementia drugs is done within secondary care, so at least one and preferably two mental health trusts should be added as consultees.</p>	The Royal College of Psychiatrists	<p>Added</p> <p>Added</p> <p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Noted</i></p> <p><i>Not included</i></p>	<p>If evidence allows, interventions will be compared with each other and the manufacturers are listed as both consultees and commentators for completeness.</p> <p>NICE only includes national organisations on the matrix, with the exception of primary care trusts that are selected by a random process to provide a commissioning view. If a consultee or commentator wishes to incorporate the opinion from a Mental Health trust these can be submitted and recorded as part of the consultee's response.</p>
5	We note that the Royal College of Psychiatrists have not been included as consultees for this Appraisal	The Research Institute for the Care of Older People	Added	
6	<p>We note that the manufacturers have been included both as consultees and commentators and we suggest that they should be consultees only.</p> <p>Further we note that the charities 'Help the Aged' and 'Age Concern' have not been included in the matrix.</p>	Shire Pharmaceuticals	<p>Noted</p> <p>Age Concern and Help the Aged - added</p>	If evidence allows, interventions will be compared with each other and the manufacturers are listed as both consultees and commentators for completeness.

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7	Suggest adding the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services to professional consultee list.	West Kent PCT		Added	
8	Suggest adding British Institute for Learning Disabilities	NICE secretariat		Added	

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