

NICE approach to addressing health inequalities

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NICE's unique role in addressing health inequalities



Tackling health inequalities is in our DNA.

NICE is seen as a leader in evidence excellence.



Partners look to NICE for evidenced approaches to address health inequalities.

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NICE guidance – helping to reduce the gap

Equitable implementation of NICE recommendations ensures that care provided is effective, makes efficient use of resources and reduces inequalities and unwarranted variation.



We offer evidence-based recommendations on a wide range of topics. Including preventing and managing specific conditions, and interventions to improve the health of communities.



NICE guidance should support strategies that improve population health as a whole, while offering particular benefit to the most disadvantaged. This may mean making recommendations for specific groups of people.

Framework to consider health inequalities

Inequalities between who?

- Four dimensions plus intersectionality.

Inequalities of what?

- Health status
- Behavioural risks to health
- Wider determinant of health
- Access to care
- Quality and experience of care.



Systematic, robust and transparent approach



- Equality and Health Inequalities Assessment (EHIA) based on the framework
- Health inequalities briefings



- Involving people with lived experience
- Stakeholder engagement and consultation



- Methods and processes manual



- Training and development for committee members and guideline developers
- Innovating: Health Equity Calculator



Setting the standard for diversity in research



Our scientific advice service ensures that groups disproportionately affected by a condition are included in clinical trials.



We're updating our META* tool to ensure it provides clear advice on diversity in evidence generation.



Our early value assessments (EVAs) for medtech identify evidence gaps – such as when participants from diverse groups are needed.



Fast-tracking research recommendations



We're acting quickly and flexibly to update guidance when there's significant changes to the evidence.



An example of this is the use of testosterone for menopausal symptoms. We've asked the National Institute for Health and Care Research to fund urgent research in this area.



Focusing on areas that have the greatest impact



We've identified the highest impact recommendations in priority prevention areas.



We're aligning interventions to Core20PLUS5, so that they can be easily found and implemented.



We're also developing case studies that highlight how practitioners have put our guidance into practice.



Measuring and monitoring the impact of our guidance



We're measuring the impact of our guidance on topics that matter most to the system.



We are analysing data on uptake of our guidance to determine whether there is variation in health outcomes across different population groups.



We'll use this data to target our implementation support where it can have the greatest impact.



Sharing learning with partner organisations



We're working with the NHSE Respiratory to show how using our health inequalities tool can lead to health improvements.



We're sharing our approach to considering health inequalities in guideline development with the RCOG Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

* Medtech Early Technical Assessment (META)

Providing usable and useful advice on tackling health inequalities

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[nice.org.uk/ health-inequalities](https://nice.org.uk/health-inequalities)

- NICE recommended, evidence-based approaches to address health inequalities.
- NICE products to support ICBs with tackling current priorities including Core20PLUS5.
- Aligned to recognised health inequalities frameworks including Labonte and Marmot.
- Providing a go to place on the NICE website.



Thank you.