



Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the March edition of our Public Involvement update from the Public Involvement Programme (PIP) at NICE.

We are revamping the Public Involvement Newsletter to become an e-bulletin. It will include additional features in a friendly interactive style.

If you wish to receive the new e-bulletin we would like to invite you to subscribe by [replying to this email](#) providing contact name, email, job title and organisation name.

Please note if you do not subscribe you will no longer receive updates from NICE Public Involvement.

In the ebulletin you will find information about:

- Opportunities to get involved
- New Tools and resources
- How guidance is being used in Health and Social Care
- Examples of how you can use guidance in your work

For more information about how we involve patients and the public in NICE's work please visit our [get involved](#) page on the NICE website. If you would like information on all of NICE's work, please subscribe to our [newsletters and alerts](#). NICE is also on Twitter – for news and updates please follow [@NICEComms](#). For messages specifically from the PIP follow us at [@NICEGetInvolved](#).

Healthwatch organisations and national patient, carer and voluntary organisations are welcome to get involved in the development of NICE guidance if you would like to. To do this for clinical, public health, social care guidance and quality standards, you will need to register as a stakeholder organisation for the specific topics of interest to you. [NICE stakeholder registration](#).

If you have any comments about the content of this update or ideas about what you'd like to see in the next edition, please contact sally.taylor@nice.org.uk.

Using NICE in your work:

How do you use NICE guidance in your organisation? Through our shared learning awards we ask organisations for their examples of improving health and social care using NICE guidance.

This month we published two contributions from the voluntary sector to the shared learning

Shared learning from Healthwatch IOW

Healthwatch Isle of Wight, were able to improve the quality of care in residential and nursing homes through their enter and view programme. Using NICE social care guidelines they were able to identify what good standards of care looked like, and helped educate the public, service providers and commissioners what all vulnerable people should be able to expect.

The service is underpinned by the NICE guidance for older people with social care needs and multiple long-term conditions (NG22).

To read more about Healthwatch IOW's shared learning [click here](#).

Shared learning from Oldham Community Leisure & Age UK Oldham

Age UK Oldham and Oldham Community Leisure designed and delivered a tailored, evidence-based falls prevention exercise class to assist older people who have experience falls or are considered to be at high-risk of falling.

The service is underpinned by the NICE guidance for falls in older people: assessing risk and prevention (CG161).

To read more about Age UK Oldham and Oldham Community Leisure shared learning [click here](#)

If you want to share your example please [click here](#). Each year we [pick a selection of shared learning examples](#) that deserve special recognition. The awards are presented at the [NICE Conference](#).

Quick guides for Social Care

NICE have co-produced a range of quick guides with [The Social Care Institute for Excellence](#). The idea is to create something that gives you key information for social care topics in a simple format. They are for people who don't have the time to read large guidelines and quality standards.

We'd love to know what you think. Each guide has a link to a survey where you can leave

Opportunities to get involved *(click the header links)*

NICE committees and working groups are made up of health, social care and other professionals and practitioners, patients, service users, carers and members of the public and technical experts. Current vacancies are listed on [this page](#), all vacancies close at 5pm on the day of the deadline unless otherwise stated. This is a list of [vacancies](#) for patients, service users, carers and lay people.

Current recruitment

- **Acute coronary syndromes guideline committee**
Closes 5pm; 19 March 2018
- **Hip, knee and shoulder joint replacement guideline committee**
Closes 5pm: 21 March 2018

Lay members

Our lay members are members of the public with personal experience or knowledge of certain issues within health and social care. They can include patients and carers.

What lay members do

It's important that our committees provide a wide range of viewpoints and experiences to help improve the quality of our guidance. We welcome applicants from a range of backgrounds, and would like to improve representation from black, Asian and minority ethnic groups. Read more about our [equality scheme](#).

Newly Published Guidance *(click the links)*

For the full list of last month's guidance, please click [here](#).

Ref	Title	Type
NG85	Pancreatic cancer in adults: diagnosis and management	Guideline
NG86	People's experience in adult social care services: improving the experience of care and support for people using adult social care services	Guideline
QS163	Mental health of adults in contact with the criminal justice system	Quality Standard
QS164	Parkinson's disease	Quality Standard

Current consultations (*Click the header links*)

We are aware that sometimes our [consultation deadlines](#) mean that it isn't possible for organisations to engage with their members as much as they might like. To try and help with this, NICE has a [database of milestone dates](#) for its clinical guideline programme. This means that you can see when consultations are scheduled in advance of the consultation starting. You can also see all the topics you might be interested in [registering as a stakeholder](#) for.

Guideline

- **Acute coronary syndromes**
Consultation end date: 19 March 2018
- **Preventing suicide in community and custodial settings**
Consultation end date: 12 April 2018
- **Pancreatitis: diagnosis and management**
Consultation end date: 25 April 2018

Quality Standard

- **Endometriosis**
Topic engagement end date: 16 March 2018
- **People's experience using adult social care services**
Topic engagement end date: 19 March 2018
- **Pancreatic cancer**
Topic engagement end date: 19 March 2018
- **Eating disorders**
Consultation end date: 09 April 2018

Notification of forthcoming consultation on NICE guideline

NICE will shortly commence a 2-week consultation with registered stakeholders about the need to update NICE clinical guideline **CG189 Obesity: identification, assessment and management**.

The consultation will be open from **Monday 19 March 2018 until Tuesday 3 April 2018**

NICE will shortly commence a 2-week consultation with registered stakeholders about the need to update NICE public health guideline **PH46 BMI: preventing ill health and premature death in black, Asian and other minority ethnic groups**.

The consultation will be open from **Monday 19 March 2018 until Tuesday 3 April 2018**

News (Click the header links)

- **NICE sets out measures to reduce suicide attempts in public spaces and prisons**
Physical barriers such as nets and fences at bridges and stations could reduce suicides, NICE says.
- **Alternative treatments for people with thyroid cancer to be offered routinely on the NHS, says NICE**
The new guidance recommends three drugs, treating two types of thyroid cancer to be made routinely available in the NHS
- **NICE announces next steps in updating its guideline on ME/CFS**
A workshop last month with stakeholders marked the formal start of NICE's collaborative work to update its 2010 guideline on the diagnosis and management of myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS).
- **Once a day pill for ovarian cancer could be made available on the CDF**
NICE has invited Tesaro to submit a proposal for including niraparib (Zejula) in the Cancer Drugs Fund (CDF), for treating some types of recurrent ovarian cancer.
- **Pancreatic cancer patients should be offered early scans to avoid unnecessary surgery, says NICE**
NICE recommends the use of a more accurate scan to diagnose and determine the stage of pancreatic cancer in patients.
- **Patients to benefit from myeloma treatment through CDF deal**
Up to 1,600 patients with multiple myeloma could benefit from a new oral pill after NICE recommends ixazomib, also known as Ninlaro, for use within the Cancer Drugs Fund (CDF).

Noticeboard – Sharing Information, Events and Updates in Patient and Public Involvement

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