

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the August edition of our Public Involvement update from the Public Involvement Programme (PIP) at NICE. 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 [e-newsletter and alerts](#). NICE is also on Twitter – for news and updates please follow [@NICEComms](#). For messages specifically from the PIP [@AnnieEmeryPIP](#)

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](mailto:sally.taylor@nice.org.uk)

In this month's update:

## 1. 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 recruitments

- **Expert Reference Group members for the 'Achieving Better Access to Mental Health - Mental Health Services for Children and Young People**

**Closes 5 pm; 12 August 2016**

### Upcoming recruitments

- **Urinary Tract Infection in Children**  
**Opens 04 August 2016 - Closes 5 pm; 01 September 2016**

## 2. Current consultations (*Click the header links*)

We are aware that sometimes our consultation deadlines mean that it isn't possible for Healthwatches 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.

### Guidelines

- **Drug misuse prevention: Draft guidance consultation**  
20 July 2016 – 07 September 2016
- **End of life care for infants, children and young people: Draft guidance consultation**  
01 July 2016 – 12 August 2016

### Quality Standards

- **Community engagement: improving health and wellbeing : Quality Standard consultation**  
25 July 2016 – 22 August 2016
- **Transition from children's to adults' services : Quality Standard consultation**  
25 July 2016 – 22 August 2016
- **Tuberculosis: Quality Standard consultation**  
12 July 2016 – 09 August 2016

### 3. News (Click the header links)

- **NICE guidance on end of life care for children aims to end inconsistencies in treatment**  
Draft guidance from NICE outlines what the best palliative care for children looks like.
- **Oral health should be a priority in care homes, says NICE**  
“This is about maintaining basic human dignity in those who may need help in looking after themselves.”
- **Project to improve management of painful bowel condition wins 2016 Shared Learning Award**  
A project that improved the management of a painful bowel condition, and reduced hospital referrals in Somerset has won this year’s 2016 NICE Shared Learning Award.
- **NICE approves first drug from old Cancer Drugs Fund**  
Dozens of patients with leukaemia will now have an automatic right to the drug bosutinib rather than having to apply to the Cancer Drugs Fund for it.

**News continued (Click the header links)**

- **NICE draft guidance extends treatment options for thousands of people with severe rheumatoid arthritis**  
New draft guidance from NICE means thousands of people suffering with severe rheumatoid arthritis will have more medicines to choose from.
- **Sepsis is just as urgent as heart attack, says NICE**  
NICE wants people who show signs of sepsis to be treated with the same urgency given to those with suspected heart attacks
- **Children and young people with suspected diabetes should be seen by a specialist immediately, says NICE quality standard**  
When a GP suspects a child or young person has diabetes, they should immediately be sent to hospital and seen the same day by a specialist, a new NICE quality standard says.
- **New blood test for pregnant women could help thousands avoid unnecessary treatment**  
NICE draft guidance recommends non-invasive prenatal testing (NIPT) for fetal rhesus-D status.
- **New competency framework for all prescribers**  
A new and updated Competency Framework to support healthcare professionals to prescribe effectively has been published.
- **NICE publishes final guidance recommending ataluren for children with Duchenne muscular dystrophy**  
NICE has published final guidance recommending ataluren for treating children aged 5 and over with Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) caused by a nonsense mutation.
- **NICE guidance can reduce delays in hospital discharge raised by critical report**  
NICE urges hospitals and local authorities to redouble their efforts to reduce delays in discharging patients from hospitals, following criticism from MPs

#### 4. Newly Published Guidance continued (click the links)

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

Ref	Title	Type
NG48	<a href="#">Oral health for adults in care homes</a>	Guideline
NG49	<a href="#">Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD): assessment and management</a>	Guideline
NG50	<a href="#">Cirrhosis in over 16s: assessment and management</a>	Guideline
NG51	<a href="#">Sepsis: recognition, diagnosis and early management</a>	Guideline
NG52	<a href="#">Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma: diagnosis and management</a>	Guideline
NG28	<a href="#">Type 2 diabetes in adults: management</a>	Guideline Update
NG17	<a href="#">Type 1 diabetes in adults: diagnosis and management</a>	Guideline Update
CG181	<a href="#">Cardiovascular disease: risk assessment and reduction, including lipid modification</a>	Guideline Update
CG64	<a href="#">Prophylaxis against infective endocarditis: antimicrobial prophylaxis against infective endocarditis in adults and children undergoing interventional procedures</a>	Guideline Update
QS125	<a href="#">Diabetes in children and young people</a>	Quality Standard

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

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