

## **Pro-forma for consultation on public health quality standards library**

### ***Overview***

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care. They are developed from existing guidelines developed or accredited by NICE. Quality standards consider the complete care pathway, from public health to health and social care. Although some standards will be area specific, there will often be significant overlap across areas and these are considered during development of the standard.

Following the new public health responsibilities for local authorities, which came into effect in April 2013, NICE was referred an initial programme of quality standards for public health, which covered alcohol, obesity and smoking. These were in addition to referrals NICE had previously received for quality standard development which addressed areas of public health concern, such as drug use disorders. We have included the currently referred and published public health related quality standards for information.

This consultation aims to seek views on potential further topics for quality standard development to help improve the quality of public health. Where there are no existing relevant guidelines, this topic list will inform the development of future guidelines. As a result, the scheduling and publication dates of the quality standards will be affected by the availability of appropriate guidance. We are hoping to collect your views on an initial proposed list and any other areas you feel need to be included. The consultation will be open from **the 27<sup>th</sup> September until the 20<sup>th</sup> of December**.

Each proposed topic will be considered, but it is not possible to guarantee that all of these topics will be taken forward for development as this is dependent on a number of elements such as the crossover and interface with other quality standards topics scheduled for production, existing evidence based guidance and sector/Government priorities.

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### ***General comments***

Please use the section below to include any general comments your organisation may have about the proposed public health library.

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society, professional body for pharmacy and pharmacist, welcomes the proposed NICE public health standards and guidance topics. The list appears very comprehensive; we look forward to commenting on the draft documents.

We are also currently drafting professional standards for public health to help lead, support and develop pharmacists and pharmacy teams across Great Britain, to enable delivery of high quality public health services.

### **Currently referred/published public health quality standards**

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence has already received referrals for quality standard development that address public health areas. As a result these do not form part of the consultation. However, these are presented below for information so that stakeholders are able to appropriately comment on the proposed library.

| Previously referred topics  | Quality standard status                                      | Areas covered   |
|---|--|---|
| Alcohol dependence and harmful alcohol use                                    | Published ( <a href="#">QS 11</a> )                          | Screening and brief interventions, physical complications and alcohol dependence.   |
| Alcohol: preventing harmful alcohol use in the community                      | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Smoking cessation: supporting people to stop smoking                          | Published ( <a href="#">QS 43</a> )                          | Identification, referral, pharmacotherapy and outcome measurement   |
| Smoking: reducing tobacco use in the community                                | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Obesity: prevention and management in adults                                  | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Obesity: prevention and management in children                                | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Physical activity: encouraging activity in all people in contact with the NHS | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Drug use disorders  | Published ( <a href="#">QS 23</a> )                          | Needle and syringe programmes, assessment, psychosocial interventions and rehabilitation.   |
| Contraceptive services (including emergency contraception)                    | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Provision of termination of pregnancy services                                | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Mental well-being: older people in care homes                                 | To be developed  | To be determined.   |
| Dementia  | Published ( <a href="#">QS 1</a> and <a href="#">QS 30</a> ) | Assessment and personalised care planning, liaison services, respite services, choice and control in decisions, relationships and needs and preferences |
| Health and well-being of looked after children and young people               | Published ( <a href="#">QS 31</a> )                          | Collaborative working between services, stability and quality of placements, support from specialist services and continuity of                         |

| Previously referred topics  | Quality standard status             | Areas covered   |
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|   |                                     | services.   |
| Hepatitis B   | To be developed                     | To be determined.   |
| Infection control   | To be developed                     | To be determined.   |
| Sepsis  | To be developed                     | To be determined.   |
| Tuberculosis  | To be developed                     | To be determined.   |
| Bacterial meningitis and meningococcal septicaemia in children and young people | Published ( <a href="#">QS 19</a> ) | Monitoring, initiation of antibiotics, lumbar puncture, access to specialists, transfers and follow up. |

### ***Proposed topics for the public health quality standards library***

The table below lists the proposed topics for the public health quality standards library. It should be noted that the proposed list does contain topic areas which have previously been referred to NICE or that have been consulted upon as part of the potential Social Care library. In these instances the proposed coverage of the topic and the interfaces with health and social care will be taken into account when considering stakeholder feedback. Stakeholders are asked to consider the list below and provide the following feedback:

- Should the topic be included (Yes/No)?
- Why should the topic be included/excluded?
- If it is to be included what key areas should be covered?

In order to analyse the responses we would appreciate it if stakeholders could answer either yes or no to the first question and provide a more detailed rationale in the subsequent columns.

| Proposed Topic                         | Should this be included within the quality standards library? (Yes/No) | Why should this be included/excluded? | If included what are the key areas to cover? |
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| <b>Tobacco</b>                         |  |                                       |  |
| Smoking: harm reduction                |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Accident and injury prevention</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Falls: prevention                      |  |                                       |  |
| Preventing unintentional injury        |  |                                       |  |
| Road safety                            |  |                                       |  |
| Homes: preventing accidents and injury |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Violence</b>                        |  |                                       |  |
| Domestic violence                      |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Physical environment</b>            |  |                                       |  |

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| Spatial planning   |  |                                       |  |
| Housing: planning to improve health and well-being   |  |                                       |  |
| Transport and Health   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Oral Health</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Oral health promotion in the community   |  |                                       |  |
| Oral health promotion in care homes and hospitals  |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Drugs</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Drug use prevention  |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Sexual health</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Sexual health across the life course   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Mental health and well-being</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Mental well-being: life course, settings and subgroups   |  |                                       |  |
| Suicide prevention   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Cross cutting interventions</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Primary prevention: population and community based primary prevention strategies, including the role of A&E, at different stages of the life course. |  |                                       |  |
| Secondary prevention: population and community based secondary prevention strategies at different stages of the life course                          |  |                                       |  |
| Community engagement: effective strategies for behaviour change  |  |                                       |  |

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| Programme management: effective ways to run public health programmes to generate a change in behaviour            |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Setting based approaches</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Workplace: long-term sickness absence management  |  |                                       |  |
| Workplace: health promotion and mental well-being   |  |                                       |  |
| School-based interventions: health promotion and mental well-being  |  |                                       |  |
| Community pharmacy: promoting health and well-being   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Specific population groups</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Maternal health: promoting maternal health through community based strategies                                     |  |                                       |  |
| Older people: promoting mental wellbeing and independence through primary, secondary and tertiary prevention.     |  |                                       |  |
| Maternal and child nutrition: improving nutritional status  |  |                                       |  |
| Black and minority ethnic groups: strategies for promoting health and preventing premature mortality              |  |                                       |  |
| Vulnerable populations: strategies for tackling inequalities, including people with severe mental ill-health, the |  |                                       |  |



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| homeless and learning disabilities  |  |                                       |  |
| Prison population and offenders: health promotion and mental well-being.                              |  |                                       |  |
| Early years: promoting health and well-being in the early years, including those in complex families. |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Topic focussed</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Skin cancer: prevention   |  |                                       |  |
| Preventing sight loss   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Sexually transmitted infections</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Reducing sexually transmitted infections  |  |                                       |  |
| HIV testing: encouraging uptake   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Immunisation</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Immunisation: promoting uptake in children and vulnerable groups                                      |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Infectious diseases</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Hepatitis C   |  |                                       |  |
| Meningitis in adults  |  |                                       |  |
| Healthcare associated infections: prevention and management   |  |                                       |  |
| Water borne infections  |  |                                       |  |
| Influenza   |  |                                       |  |
| Legionella  |  |                                       |  |
| Norovirus   |  |                                       |  |
| Disease control programmes:   |  |                                       |  |

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| approaches to effective management  |  |                                       |  |
| Lyme disease  |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Antibiotic management</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Effective antimicrobial stewardship   |  |                                       |  |
| Non-antibiotic clinical management of infectious diseases   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Emergency planning and resilience</b>  |  |                                       |  |
| Winter deaths: preventing excess winter deaths  |  |                                       |  |
| Outbreak planning and control   |  |                                       |  |
| Emergency planning and disaster response  |  |                                       |  |
| Heatwave planning   |  |                                       |  |
| <b>Environmental health</b>   |  |                                       |  |
| Healthy commercial premises: improving catering provision and implementing effective smoking and alcohol policies |  |                                       |  |
| Radon exposure: protection from radon exposure  |  |                                       |  |
| Outdoor air: maintaining good quality air   |  |                                       |  |
| Internal air: maintaining good quality air in different setting   |  |                                       |  |
| Natural environments  |  |                                       |  |
| Environmental noise   |  |                                       |  |

***Topics not currently referred to NICE and not within the proposed library***

This table is provided for stakeholders to suggest additional topics that are not contained elsewhere within the document. In order for the topics to be considered we would appreciate if stakeholders could provide a rationale and proposed remit for any additional topics.

| Are there any other topics that should be included? | Why should this be included? | If included what are the key areas to cover? |
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**Closing date:** Please forward this electronically by **5pm on the 20th December 2013** at the very latest to [QSconsultations@nice.org.uk](mailto:QSconsultations@nice.org.uk)

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