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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DECISION NOTICE

23 February 2024

Dear Requester

FOI Reference Number: 72424

I refer to your email of 31 January 2024 requesting information in relation to NICE Quality Standard 204.

I can confirm on behalf of NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do hold the information that you have requested in part. A response to each element of your request is detailed below.

Please note it is not the responsibility of the ICB to cascade NICE quality standards, there will be a national process for that. We would expect our providers to review and consider NICE guidance and quality standards via their quality committees and professional practice groups. We have provided some information below.

For more detailed information please approach the providers directly, contact details can be found at the following link

[NHS England — Midlands » Lincolnshire ICS and NHS Trusts](#)

The County Council should be able to assist re Looked After Children [Make a Freedom of Information request – Before you make a request - Lincolnshire County Council](#)

NICE Quality Standard 204 on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder was published 16 March 2022 [Overview](#) | [Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder](#) | [Quality standards](#) | [NICE](#)

1. Please confirm, has this quality standard been circulated to each team and service in your network?

United Lincolnshire Hospital's NHS Trust (ULHT) has seen this quality standard.

2. Have teams or other organisations within your ICB been asked to identify whether NICE Quality Standard 204 is applicable to their service?

This is applicable to ULHT, see response to Q1.

3. Which teams/organisations/ICB leads have identified that NICE Quality Standard 204 is applicable to them.

As Q1 and 2.

4. Please confirm if the lead ICB board members for a) children and young people (aged 0 to 25); b) children and young people with special educational needs and disability; c) safeguarding (all-ages); and d) learning disability and autism (all-ages) have to date included consideration of FASD and implementation of the NICE FASD Quality Standard 204 in their decision making about service provision and assessment of local need. If so, for each of the identified leads please explain how and provide any related documents.

Not held.

5. Please indicate who in your ICB has responsibility for each NICE Quality Standard 204 statement:

5a. Statement 1: Advice on avoiding alcohol in pregnancy (Pregnant women are given advice throughout pregnancy not to drink alcohol.)

[Quality statement 1: Advice on avoiding alcohol in pregnancy | Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder | Quality standards | NICE](#)

All midwives give advice on alcohol in pregnancy and record consumption on the MIS at every appointment.

5b. Statement 2: Fetal alcohol exposure (Pregnant women are asked about their alcohol use throughout their pregnancy and this is recorded)

[Quality statement 2: Fetal alcohol exposure | Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder | Quality standards | NICE](#)

As 5a.

5c. Statement 3: Referral for assessment (Children and young people with probable prenatal alcohol exposure and significant physical, developmental or behavioural difficulties are referred for assessment.)

[Quality statement 3: Referral for assessment | Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder | Quality standards | NICE](#)

No current lead. Would need to review the guidance and determine.

5d. Statement 4: Neurodevelopmental assessment (Children and young people with confirmed prenatal alcohol exposure or all 3 facial features associated with prenatal alcohol exposure have a neurodevelopmental assessment if there are clinical concerns.)

[Quality statement 4: Neurodevelopmental assessment | Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder | Quality standards | NICE](#)

As 5c.

5e. Statement 5: Management plan (Children and young people with a diagnosis of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) have a management plan to address their needs.)

[Quality statement 4: Neurodevelopmental assessment | Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder | Quality standards | NICE](#)

As 5c.

6. If your NICE lead or other relevant person has created a review sheet, please provide that with a breakdown of every statement in the quality standard by structure, process and outcome measures.

Not held.

7. If you don't have a review sheet, please indicate how your ICB is responding to NICE Quality Standard 204.

ULHT have formally reviewed the quality standard and the trust considers itself compliant with the relevant statements.

8. How are you involving stakeholders and/ or tracking patient experiences of your response to the NICE Quality Standard 204?

Not held.

9. Is there any other document your ICB has created that is related to improvement of quality of care regarding NICE Quality Standard 204? If so, please provide a copy.

Not held.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to

Arden & GEM Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit
FOI TEAM/Corporate Communications Team
1st Floor, St John's House
East Street
Leicester
LE1 6NB

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Yours faithfully
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**On behalf of
NHS Lincolnshire ICB**