

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 27th September until the 20th of December**.

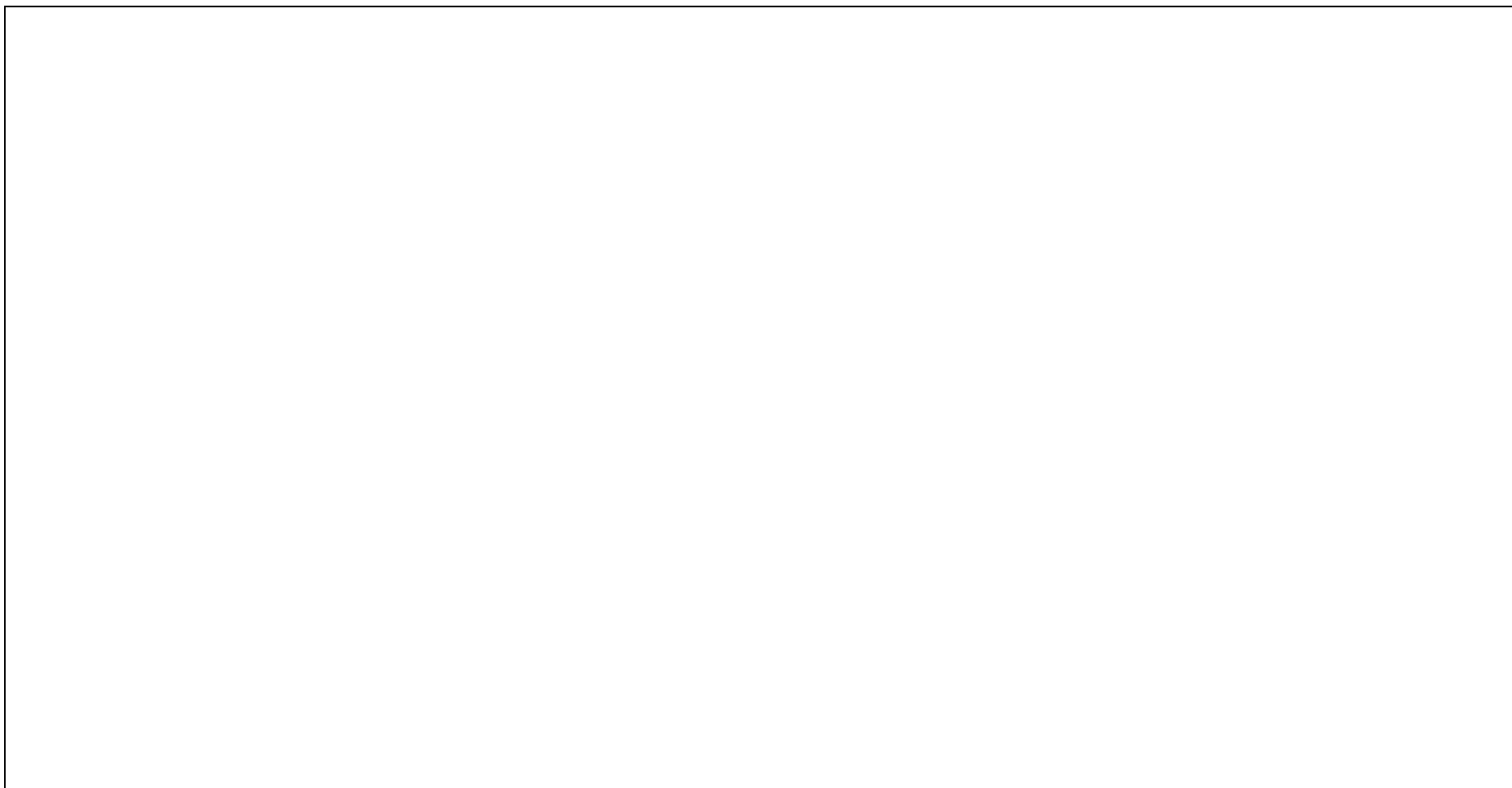
Each proposed topic will be considered, but it is not possible to guarantee that all of these topics will be taken forward for development as this is dependent on a number of elements such as the crossover and interface with other quality standards topics scheduled for production, existing evidence based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

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Please note: comments submitted may be published on the NICE website.	

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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.

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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 (QS 11)	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 (QS 43)	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 (QS 23)	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 (QS 1 and QS 30)	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 (QS 31)	Collaborative working between services, stability and quality of placements, support from specialist services and continuity of

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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 (QS 19)	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?
Tobacco			
Smoking: harm reduction			
Accident and injury prevention			
Falls: prevention			
Preventing unintentional injury			
Road safety			
Homes: preventing accidents and injury			
Violence			
Domestic violence			
Physical environment			

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Spatial planning			
Housing: planning to improve health and well-being			
Transport and Health			
Oral Health			
Oral health promotion in the community			
Oral health promotion in care homes and hospitals			
Drugs			
Drug use prevention			
Sexual health			
Sexual health across the life course			
Mental health and well-being			
Mental well-being: life course, settings and subgroups			
Suicide prevention			
Cross cutting interventions			
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			
Setting based approaches			
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			
Specific population groups			
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.			
Topic focussed			
Skin cancer: prevention			
Preventing sight loss			
Sexually transmitted infections			
Reducing sexually transmitted infections			
HIV testing: encouraging uptake			
Immunisation			
Immunisation: promoting uptake in children and vulnerable groups			
Infectious diseases			
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			
Antibiotic management			
Effective antimicrobial stewardship			
Non-antibiotic clinical management of infectious diseases			
Emergency planning and resilience			
Winter deaths: preventing excess winter deaths			
Outbreak planning and control			
Emergency planning and disaster response			
Heatwave planning			
Environmental health			
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?

Closing date: Please forward this electronically by **5pm on the 20th December 2013** at the very latest to QSconsultations@nice.org.uk

PLEASE NOTE: The Institute reserves the right to summarise and edit comments received during consultations, or not to publish them at all, where in the reasonable opinion of the Institute, the comments are voluminous, publication would be unlawful or publication would be otherwise inappropriate.