

## ***Public Involvement Update***

Dear Colleague

Welcome to the July edition of our Public Involvement update from the Public Involvement Programme 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](#).

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 [annie.emery@nice.org.uk](mailto:annie.emery@nice.org.uk)

### **In this month's update:**

#### **1. News**

- **New video to support mental wellbeing of older people in care homes quality standard**

A new film commissioned by the NICE collaborating centre for social care will help organisations and people use the quality standard on mental wellbeing of older people

- **Thousands of strokes and deaths preventable from 'silent killer'**

Thousands of strokes and deaths due to atrial fibrillation could be prevented each year by ensuring patients receive effective anticoagulant drugs, according to updated guidance from NICE.

- **NICE guidance to help tackle transition from children's to adult services**

NICE is developing guidance to help tackle the gaps in care sometimes experienced by young people with health needs, as they move from children's to adult services.

## 2. Current consultations

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.

### [Post-natal care \(update\): addendum consultation](#)

03 July – 31 July 2014

### [Pneumonia: guideline consultation](#)

18 June – 31 July 2014

### [Parafricta Bootees and Undergarments to reduce skin breakdown in people with or at risk of pressure ulcers: guidance consultation](#)

12 June – 17 July 2014

### [Open reduction of slipped capital femoral epiphysis: guidance consultation](#)

20 June – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014

### [Obesity - prevention and lifestyle management in children: quality standard consultation](#)

10 July – 7<sup>th</sup> August 2014

### [NICE quality standards - the process guide](#)

10 June 2014 – 3 September

### [Gallstone disease: guideline consultation](#)

5 June – 17 July 2014

### [Falls: topic engagement exercise](#)

08 July – 22 July 2014

### [Excess winter deaths and illnesses: guideline consultation](#)

13 June - 25 July 2014

### [Antibiotics for neonatal infection: quality standard consultation](#)

1 July – 29 July 2014

### [Alcohol - preventing harmful alcohol use in the community: quality standard consultation](#)

1 July – 29 July 2014

### [Accreditation process manual update for consultation](#)

2 June - 26 August 2014

### 3. Opportunities to get involved

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:

[Lay member: DAC – diagnosis of suspected malignant skin lesions: The VivaScope imaging system](#)

Diagnostics assessment programme, closes **5pm, 13<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

[Care and support of people who have learning disabilities and experience mental health problems GDG](#)

Clinical Guidelines, closes **5pm, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

[Diagnostics Advisory Committee](#)

Diagnostics assessment programme, closes **5pm, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

#### **Upcoming recruitments:**

Check the [recruitment page](#) for upcoming recruitments and further details on start dates.

### 4. Newly Published Guidance

Please click on the hyperlinked title if you wish to be taken to further information about the new guidance that we think may be of interest to you. For the full list of last month's guidance, please see [here](#).

#### **June 2014**

Ref	Title	Type
IPG495	<a href="#">Radiofrequency tissue reduction for turbinate hypertrophy (IPG495)</a>	Interventional Procedures
IPG494	<a href="#">Endoscopic saphenous vein harvest for coronary artery bypass grafting</a>	Interventional Procedures
IPG493	<a href="#">Arthroscopic radiofrequency chondroplasty for discrete chondral defects of the knee</a>	Interventional Procedures
CG180	<a href="#">Atrial fibrillation: the management of atrial fibrillation</a>	Clinical Guidelines