

FOI_1562_2023-24 – FOI Request concerning NICE Quality Standard 204 on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

NICE Quality Standard 204 on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder was published 16 March 2022 (<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs204>)

- 1. Please confirm, has this quality standard been circulated to each team and service in your network?**
Yes – our service shares a list of updated and new NICE guidelines and Quality Standards every month with individual services and can confirm that this Quality Standard was shared with teams on 12th April 2022.
- 2. Which teams/organisations/ leads have identified that NICE Quality Standard 204 is applicable to them.**
Our 0-19 public health nursing services identified that this was relevant to their services for awareness.
- 3. Please confirm if the Trust leads 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);
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.
As per Q1, the quality standard has been shared with teams. The decision making regarding how this is incorporated within local provision would primarily sit with commissions of our services. None of our services are commissioned to specifically provide a FASD offer
- 4. 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**
In line with our Trust policy on NICE guidelines, as the service had highlighted that this QS was relevant at awareness level only, a baseline assessment was not completed. We have 3 levels of relevance, awareness, partial relevance and core relevance, and a baseline assessment is indicated only for core relevance (although is optional for partial relevance).
- 5. If you don't have a review sheet, please indicate how your Trust is responding to the call for improvements in quality of care outlined in NICE Quality Standard 204.**
Please see response to question 4.
- 6. How are you involving stakeholders and/ or tracking patient experiences of your response to the NICE Quality Standard 204?**
We are not.



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

None

8. Has your ICB commissioned a pathway for FASD diagnosis?

No. However, many of our services will encounter children with FASD who have been referred for other health needs

9. Please explain the process by which someone with possible FASD would be assessed in your Trust.

FASD may be present in children who receive support/health interventions for other conditions within our community paediatric, public health or child and adolescent mental health services. We don't assess for or diagnose FASD as a discrete condition.