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You asked:

NICE Quality Standard 204 on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder was published 16 March 2022

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

The maternity department are aware of this quality standard.

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

New NICE guidance is disseminated to the relevant department leads for their action, implementation or further dissemination if required.

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

Maternity service have recognised this is applicable to their service.

4. Please indicate who in your Health Board has responsibility for each NICE Quality Standard 204 statement:

4a. Statement 1: Advice on avoiding alcohol in pregnancy (Pregnant women are given advice throughout pregnancy not to drink alcohol.)

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Maternity service responsibility.

4b. Statement 2: Fetal alcohol exposure (Pregnant women are asked about their alcohol use throughout their pregnancy and this is recorded)

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Maternity service responsibility

4c. 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.)
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Child Health responsibility

4d. 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.)
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Child Health responsibility.

4e. 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.)
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Child Health responsibility.

5. 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.

See question 6.

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

- Documentation within All Wales Maternity Notes (launched April 24) includes:
 - documentation at each antenatal appointment relating to alcohol consumption rates
 - 36/40 review of alcohol consumption documented
 - At initial booking, an initial assessment of alcohol consumption, which includes an alcohol unit calculator
- Health Board follows PHW Drymester programme to support no safe level of alcohol consumption in pregnancy.

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

Maternity service's Patient Reported Experience Measure (PREM) – a longitudinal survey throughout pregnancy and post natal period – asks women whether their midwife has discussed alcohol consumption and whether this information and discussion was helpful.

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

N/A.