

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-160

5 March 2024

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we hold some of the information you are requesting

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?

The Quality Standard was formally cascaded 20 April 2022, to the relevant lead clinicians in Obstetrics and Midwifery.

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

The Obstetrics and Midwifery teams.

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); 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.

This is not directly applicable to the Trust. Children under consideration or confirmed with FASD would be seen by Sirona Care and Health and/or Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership.

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.

Please see the current review sheet against the Quality Standard (a short self-assessment

Compliance Statement) attached. We can confirm the Trust is partially compliant (acceptable) with Quality Statements 1 and 2 of the Quality Standard pertaining to asking about and recording alcohol use in pregnancy. Our current corporate template for NICE quality standards only addresses the quality statements and does not ask for detailed information on the discretionary quality measures.

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.

Not applicable.

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

We are not currently involving stakeholders or tracking patient experience issues pertaining to alcohol use within pregnancy, in response to QS204.

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.

No.

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

We do not hold this information. Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board (BNSSG ICB) at foi@bnssg.nhs.net for further information.

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

The Trust is not commissioned to provide FASD services.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, 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:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be

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Yours sincerely

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