

DERBYSHIRE JOINT AREA PRESCRIBING COMMITTEE (JAPC)

JAPC Derbyshire NICE Technology Appraisals Commissioning Statement

If a NICE technology appraisal recommends the use of a technology, it is as an option for the treatment of a disease or condition within Derbyshire and its Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

The technology will be available for a patient who meets the clinical criteria set out in the guidance, subject to the judgment of the treating clinician. CCGs in Derbyshire will provide funding and resources when positive technology appraisals are published and acknowledged at JAPC.

If a NICE technology appraisal states 'option for treatment', Derbyshire JAPC will adopt the medicine into the local formulary, and if necessary, identify its place in line with NICE recommendations with provider involvement.

NICE technology appraisals

All NICE technology appraisals are acknowledged at the following month's JAPC meeting to ensure prompt review.

When drug treatments have been appraised by the NICE, their categorisation should be consistent with the recommendations that have been made.

- Medicines that have a positive appraisal are classified RED/GREEN/BROWN depending on the responsible sector and local interpretation
- Medicines that receive a negative appraisal or are terminated are classified as BLACK

NICE Clinical Guidelines

NICE clinical guidelines are reviewed at the following month's JAPC meeting. Clinical guidelines are considered best practice and JAPC will usually adopt after consideration of local priorities after consultation with relevant commissioners and provider organisations.