

INITIAL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) FORM

Name of policy / process / service / other	Guidelines on the use of Antifungal Drugs in Adult Patients	Date applicable	October 2019- October 2020
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Directorate: Pharmacy

1. FIELD / SUBJECT

Function Policy Procedure / practice Service Strategy Document (if joint, state with whom)

Describe the main aim, objectives and intended outcomes of the above:

To provide guidance to medical staff and pharmacists to ensure appropriate antifungal prescribing in adult inpatients

An initial screening should be undertaken first. This helps to identify whether there is a possibility that people might have different experiences of the function/ policy / process/ strategy compared to others.

This initial EIA simply assesses whether different groups of people who use a service are affected by the intended function / policy/ practice / strategy more, less or in a different way than other groups of people. A differential impact occurs when a particular group has been affected differently by this in either a positive or negative/adverse way.

An assessment of whether there is a differential impact will be based on two factors – quantitative monitoring data and qualitative information, including the expert opinion from the EIA assessor who is normally the manager responsible for the delivery as well as someone with a different perspective. This would ideally be one or more service users or someone related to the service. There will be times when involving someone for their technical expertise or someone with specialist knowledge will be appropriate and EIA assessors should consider this. You must assess each of the 9 areas separately and consider how your document in section 1 may affect people's human rights.

2. ASSESSMENT OF POSSIBLE ADVERSE IMPACT AGAINST ANY MINORITY GROUP

Could the policy / service / function / other in section 1 have a **significant negative impact** on equality in relation to each area below?

	Response		If YES, please state why and the evidence used in your assessment
	Yes	No	
1 Age		X	
2 Sex (Male and Female)		X	
3 Disability (Learning Difficulties / Physical or Sensory Disability)		X	
4 Race or Ethnicity		X	
5 Religion and Belief		X	
6 Sexual Orientation (gay, lesbian or heterosexual)		X	
7 Pregnancy and Maternity		X	
8 Gender Reassignment (the process of transitioning from one gender to another)		X	
9 Marriage and Civil Partnership		X	

You need to ask yourself:

- Will the policy / practice / service create any problems or barriers to any community or group? Yes No
- Will any group be excluded because of this? Yes No
- Will there be a negative impact on community relations? Yes No

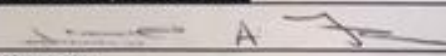
If the answer to any of these questions is YES, you must complete a **FULL** Equality Impact Assessment. Contact the Corporate Governance Administrator and refer to the EIA Policy on the intranet.

3. POSITIVE IMPACT		Response		If YES, please state why and the evidence used in your assessment
Could the policy / practice / service / other have a significant positive impact on equality by reducing inequalities that already exist? Explain how will it meet our duty to:		Yes	No	
1	Promote equal opportunities		X	
2	Get rid of discrimination		X	
3	Get rid of harassment		X	
4	Promote good community relations		X	
5	Promote positive attitudes towards disabled people		X	
6	Encourage participation by disabled people		X	
7	Consider more favourable treatment of disabled people		X	
8	Promote and protect human rights		X	

4. SUMMARY						
On the basis of the information/evidence/consideration so far, do you believe that the policy / practice / service / other will have a positive or negative adverse impact on equality?						
POSITIVE			NEGATIVE			
High	Medium	Low	Nil	Low	Medium	High

Date Assessment completed: 25/9/19	Is a full Equality Impact Assessment required? YES / NO
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