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Recommendation

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SHTG

Target audience
- Policy makers and service planners
- Health and social care professionals
- Patients and the public

Definition
- Evidence-based SHTG recommendations are developed by a national committee in consultation with stakeholders
- Clinical effectiveness, safety, and cost effectiveness evidence will be considered; alongside patient and public views, professional expert views, and social and organisational implications
- Plain language summaries are provided
- Timescale: 6 months.

Status in Scotland
- Boards and Integration Authorities 'required to consider'.

Adaptation

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SHTG

Target audience
- Policy makers and service planners
- Health and social care professionals

Definition
- Based upon an HTA conducted elsewhere in the UK or internationally, with particular consideration of its applicability to NHS Scotland
- Applicability is assessed by consultation with health and care experts in Scotland
- The original HTA may be supplemented by information relevant to the NHS Scotland context
- Timescale: 3–6 months.

Status in Scotland
- Boards and Integration Authorities 'required to consider'.

Assessment

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SHTG

Target audience
- Policy makers and service planners
- Health and social care professionals

Definition
- Targeted analysis to provide support for decision-making across health and social care in Scotland
- Does not include recommendations
- May include a critical appraisal or summary of existing evidence; primary analyses, such as economic modelling or budget impact assessment; qualitative synthesis
- Timescale: 3–6 months.

Status in Scotland
- For information

Innovative Medical Technology Overview

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SHTG

Target audience
- National and local innovation partners
- Health and social care professionals

Definition
- High-level summary of the emerging evidence surrounding health and care innovation in Scotland
- Describes the technology, the innovative aspect of the technology, the potential impact on health and social care in Scotland and highlights strengths/weaknesses of the evidence base
- Does not include recommendations
- Plain language summaries are provided
- Timescale: 1–2 months

Status in Scotland
- For information