

Dudley Group of Hospitals: Equality Impact Assessment

Step 2 - Screening Tool

Please complete the following when screening your policy or service for potential impact on equality groups.

1. Name of lead	No lead at this time
Contact number & email	
Directorate or Department and Team	DALT Team
2. Name of service or policy	Opiate Dependent In- Patient Management Guidelines
Is this a new or existing piece of work?	Existing
3. Target audience e.g. patients and public; NHS staff; professional health organisations; voluntary organisation; internal staff	All medical and registered nursing staff
4. What are the aims of the service/ policy? i.e. what does the policy or service hope to achieve?	To provide medical and nursing staff with clinical guidelines on how to manage opiate dependent inpatients. To reduce the risk of illicit drug use amongst inpatients within Russells Hall Hospital and subsequent risk of accidental overdose. To continue substitute prescribing for those patients already engaged in drug treatment within community drug services. To engage and refer patients who are not in drug treatment into community drug services.
5. Does any part of this service or policy have the potential to have an adverse impact based on a person's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation? <i>If No, please provide brief reasons.</i>	No – it is aimed at all patients
6. Are there any factors that could lead to different outcomes or satisfaction levels based on people's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation? If No, please provide brief reasons.	No – all patients with substance misuse issues should have equal access to services

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If you have answered yes to any of questions 5 or 6, you must now complete a full Equality Impact Assessment using the proforma provided by the Trust.

If you have answered No to all of the above questions, a full assessment is not required. Please complete the following sign-off section and send a copy of this screening to your Head of Service, Matron or Head of Department as appropriate **and** to Liz Abbiss, Head of Communications at Trust HQ.

Name of person completing this screening: Pamela Thom

Job Title: DALT Liaison Officer

Date sent to Head of Service, Matron or Head of department: April 13

Date sent to Head of Communications, Trust HQ: July 13

For advice relating to completion of this screening, please contact Human Resources on 456111, ext 3251