



## **Initial Screening Tool**

## Title of policy/service/function/procedure/ programme/ or strategy being assessed: Stroke Care Policy (OP059)

## Is it new Ø or revised □

### (If revised, please attach a copy of the original Equality Impact Assessment.)

Senior Manager Responsible : Assistant Medical Director – East

Department Medical Directorate

Section

#### Equality Impact Assessment Screening Team

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Please summaries below the aims and objectives of this policy/service/function etc. including any intended outcomes.

• Ensure that the London Ambulance Service is able to identify and respond to patients with suspected stoke in a timely manner, perform an adequate assessment of their condition and convey them to an appropriate facility.

Please state below who is intended to benefit from this policy/service/function etc. and in what way.

- Patients, through improved recognition of illness and where appropriate, conveyance to specialist centres.
- LAS Clinical, operational and EOC personnel, through the availability of clear guidance on the recognition and management of stroke

Please state in the table below whether the policy/service/function etc. could have any potential impact on any of the equality strand groups, whether service users, staff or other stakeholders

Equality Strand Group	Is there likely to be a positive or neutral impact in regard to:	If the impact is adverse, can this be justified on the grounds of promoting equality of opportunity for an equality strand group or for another reason?
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Age	Neutral	
Disability	Neutral	
Gender	Neutral	
Race	Neutral	
Religion or Belief	Neutral	
Sexual Orientation	Neutral	

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#### **NHS Trust**

Please provide and summarise below any relevant evidence for your declaration above – this could include for example the results of specific consultations, complaints or compliments, customer satisfaction or other surveys, service monitoring and take-up, comments from stakeholders and demographic data.

The policy follows nationally and internationally accredited guidelines for the treatment of stroke, which have been wholly adopted by the London Stroke Networks.

Are there any gaps in the evidence you have which make it difficult for you to determine whether there would be an adverse impact?

No Ø Yes □

If yes, please state below how you intend to acquire this evidence and your timescales for doing so.

N/A

If you have identified a positive or negative potential impact for any equality strand group, which is not legal or justifiable, then you must complete a full Equality Impact Assessment. Please insert below any issues you have identified/recommendations for the full Equality Impact Assessment.

If you have only identified a neutral or positive impact on any equality strand group then no further action is required, other than having your Director sign off this form, a copy stored on the shared drive and sent to Communications for publication on the Trust's website.

Name of Director: Fionna Moore (Medical Director) Signature:

Date 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010

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