EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Dudley Group of Hospitals: Equality Impact Assessment

1. Name of lead	Martin Biggs
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Directorate or Department and Team	Senior pharmacist – Antimicrobial Pharmacist
2. Name of service or policy	Intravenous Vancomycin use in adults intermittent (Pulsed) infusion guideline
Is this a new or existing piece of work?	New
3. Target audience e.g. patients and public; NHS staff; professional health organisations; voluntary organisation; internal staff	Patients and public; NHS staff; professional health organisations; internal staff
4. What are the aims of the service/ policy? i.e. what does the policy or service hope to achieve?	To safely treat adult patients with intravenous vancomycin.
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? If No, please provide brief reasons	No impact on patient's age if adult, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religious / belief or sexual orientation Children will be excluded as this policy is for adult 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 there should be no different outcomes for adult patients

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: Martin Biggs **Job Title**: Senior pharmacist – Antimicrobial Pharmacist

Date sent to Head of Service, Matron or Head of department: 21/06/2013

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