



Initial Screening Tool

Title of policy/service/function/procedure/ programme/ or strategy being assessed: OP036 Pediatric Care Policy

Is it new or revised

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

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

The London Ambulance Service NHS Trust (the 'Trust') supports the guidance for Paediatric Care as detailed in the Clinical Practice Guidelines for use in UK Ambulance Services (JRCALC Guidelines). The Trust recognises that the treatment of paediatric patients requires special measures to ensure that appropriate care is delivered. This care will be delivered in accordance with national best practice guidance, e.g., JRCALC Guidelines and the National Service Framework for Children, Young People and Maternity Services.

This policy outlines the assessment, diagnosis and treatment guidelines that the Trust will follow in the treatment of children and young people and the areas to which these guidelines apply. This policy should be read in conjunction with other Trust policies that are relevant to paediatric care, (See 'Links to Related Documents...' in the 'Document Profile and Control Grid')

Objectives

1. The Trust acknowledges the guidance outlined in the JRCALC Guidelines and the special responsibilities with regard to the treatment of children and young people.
2. To ensure that all operational staff are adhering to JRCALC guidelines, along with relevant Trust Policies and Procedures.

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

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This policy is for the guidance and use of LAS staff and managers. The main beneficiaries from this policy are paediatric patients and their parents
 This policy also forms a basis for discussions between the LAS and London wide paediatric services in improving and altering the policy as such services may change. These discussions will in the main be with the Paediatric Consultants who give advice, over and above JRCALC if required, to the LAS via the Clinical Steering Group

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?
Age	Neutral	
Disability	Neutral	
Gender	Neutral	
Race	Neutral	
Religion or Belief	Neutral	
Sexual Orientation	Neutral	

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 author and reviewers are satisfied that no further EQIA action need be taken.

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 ✓

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

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:

Signature:

Date:

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