Routing process for highly specialised technologies (HSTs)

Timelines

NICE is committed to making the HST routing process as smooth and timely as possible. But the time it takes can vary because the process runs in parallel with a technology receiving its marketing authorisation. Companies may then ask for adjustments to NICE's proposed timelines to ensure that they align with the most appropriate time for their submissions.

Identification Selection Scheduling **Scoping** Technologies are identified by An initial eligibility assessment will The evaluation will be scheduled A draft scope is developed and the National Institute for Health be carried out. If the technology as both an HST and single consulted on (possibly with a Research Innovation Observatory scoping workshop). More details is identified as potentially meeting technology appraisal to avoid (NIHRIO), after a horizon scanning some or all of the HST criteria, an delays later in the process. about what is considered in the HST checklist will be populated. exercise. scoping phase can be found in the This will be used later in the NICE health technology evaluation A technology briefing is then process to determine the final manual. prepared and submitted to NICE. routing decision. **Prioritisation board Routing decision Clarification process Evaluation process** The findings of the scoping The Prioritisation Board will decide The clarification process aims to The evaluation will start in line with exercise, HST checklist and answer any specific stakeholder the routing decision. If there are whether the technology should be further clarification requests, the proposed route is passed to the evaluated as a single technology questions about the routing NICE prioritisation board for the appraisal or whether it meets the decision. evaluation will continue in parallel. final routing decision. full criteria to be evaluated as an (For more details, see the (For more details, see the chapter on the clarification chapter on the NICE prioritisation This decision will be published on process in NICE-wide topic board in NICE-wide topic the prioritisation decisions section prioritisation: the manual.) prioritisation: the manual.) of the NICE website.