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PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINE – NICE improvement guide on prevention and control of healthcare-associated infections

Consultation on the Review Proposal from

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Page 3 of the review proposal	MRSA Action UK agree that greater inclusion of the independent sector is needed in any review of the prevention and control of healthcare associated infections.

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Page 3 of the review proposal	Page 3 of the review proposal states "No guidance or policy documents were identified that would impact substantially on the quality improvement statements"  Guidelines on MDR Gram Negative bacteria are being consulted on by the Hospital Infection Society and there will be a number of questions and searches that will have identified areas for further consideration.
	Screening for MDR Gram Negative bacteria may be needed in the primary care setting, and a review of this growing threat of MDR bacteria, particularly the gram negatives, should be considered in the prevention and control of healthcare associated infections.  Some guidance on when to screen for MDR Gram Negative bacteria, should we feel, be added to the NICE guideline.
Page 3 of the review proposal	MRSA Action UK agree with the view that greater patient involvement in any review of the guidance and quality statement would be of benefit.  The lay perspective always helps and can also help with the reduction of jargon. Patients should be given access to clear information on NICE quality standards.

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Comments  Please insert each new comment in a new row.
MRSA Action UK agree that no new policies or guidance have been identified that invalidate the existing quality improvement statements, however the consultation on the guidelines for multidrug resistant (MDR) Gram Negative bacteria should be taken into consideration for the review.  We agree that the content is still relevant and useful.  We agree with the NICE recommendation that the Quality Improvement Guide should undergo a terminology and indicator refresh, and suggest patient involvement in this process

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