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BY EMAIL

**TO: All prescribers
County Lead Pharmacists
Assistant Director of Nursing (Practice)
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Dear Colleague

The appraisals listed below have been published by the National Institute for Health & Care Excellence (NICE). They have been assessed for local implementation and their place in therapy established as described.

Please ensure that your teams are fully aware of this information.

In accordance with the provisions of Welsh Health Circulars WHC 2003 (109) and 2005 (22), see WHC (2003) 109 (<http://howis.wales.nhs.uk/doclib/whc-2003-109-e.pdf>) and WHC (2005) 22 (http://howis.wales.nhs.uk/doclib/WHC_2005_022.pdf), the drugs have been added to the Health Board's formulary, <http://hywelddahb.inform.wales.nhs.uk/>, and are available for prescribing in accordance with the guidance.

Please ensure that the appropriate audit form is completed for all patient initiations on these technologies in the next 12 months. You will find the audit forms on the Clinical Systems (NICE / TA AWMSG appraisal audits) pages of the Health Board's Intranet: <http://howis.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/862/page/43199>

Pharmacy has been notified of the guidance and you should be aware that a prescription that falls outside the recommendations of the guidance will be discussed with the prescriber. Failure to complete the audit form may result in a delay in dispensing.

NICE TA300, November 2013, Hepatitis C (children and young people) - peginterferon alfa and ribavirin <http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA300> Approved for hospital use only. Tertiary care

If you have any questions relating to the guidance or this process, please contact Sue Beach, Lead Clinical Development Pharmacist, on 01554 783084 or 0777 21 77 655 or email sue.beach@wales.nhs.uk.

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