

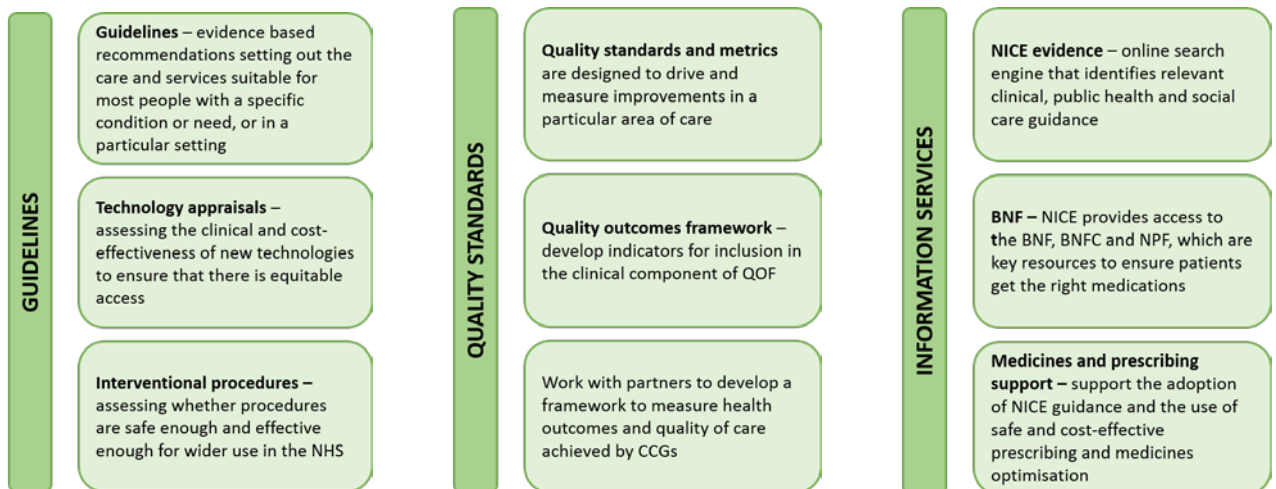
NICE

Who are they?

NICE is the **National Institute for Health and Care Excellence**. They provide **guidance and standards** to improve health and social care, helping give everyone fair access to excellent, **evidence-based** care.

What do they do?

NICE makes evidence-based recommendations on the most **effective** ways to prevent and manage specific conditions, and improve the health of communities. They also **recommend cost effective** ways to plan and deliver integrated health and care services that meet the needs of the public and use resources efficiently. Their infographic demonstrates the different areas within which NICE operate:



As a **Non Departmental Public Body (NDPB)** NICE is accountable to the Department of Health, but operationally independent of government. Their guidance and other recommendations are made by **independent committees of experts** including patients, carers and service users.

Recent work

- Most common ear infections should not be treated with antibiotics, says NICE
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-apg10001>
- Patient decision aid - Taking tamoxifen to reduce the chance of developing breast cancer
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg164/resources/taking-tamoxifen-to-reduce-the-chance-of-developing-breast-cancer-decision-aid-for-premenopausal-women-at-moderately-increased-risk-4422436671>
- Suspect endometriosis in women with chronic pelvic pain, says NICE.
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/NG73>
- Nivolumab now available for lung cancer after company offers NICE new CDF deal
<https://www.nice.org.uk/news/article/nivolumab-now-available-for-lung-cancer-after-company-offers-nice-new-cdf-deal>