

Quick reference guide

Rivaroxaban for the prevention of venous thromboembolism after total hip or total knee replacement in adults

Guidance

- 1 Rivaroxaban, within its marketing authorisation, is recommended as an option for the prevention of venous thromboembolism in adults having elective total hip replacement surgery or elective total knee replacement surgery.

Implementation tools

NICE has developed tools to help organisations put this guidance into practice (listed below). These are available on our website (www.nice.org.uk/TA170).

- A costing statement explaining the resource impact of this guidance.
- Audit support for monitoring local practice.

Further information

Ordering information

You can download the following documents from www.nice.org.uk/TA170

- A quick reference guide (this document) – the recommendations.
- 'Understanding NICE guidance' – a summary for patients and carers.
- The NICE guidance.
- Details of all the evidence that was looked at and other background information.

For printed copies of the quick reference guide or 'Understanding NICE guidance', phone NICE publications on 0845 003 7783 or email publications@nice.org.uk and quote:

- N1854 (quick reference guide)
- N1855 ('Understanding NICE guidance').

Related NICE guidance

For information about NICE guidance that has been issued or is in development, see www.nice.org.uk

Published

- Dabigatran etexilate for the prevention of venous thromboembolism after hip or knee replacement surgery in adults. NICE technology appraisal guidance 157 (2008). Available from www.nice.org.uk/TA157
- Venous thromboembolism: reducing the risk of venous thromboembolism (deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism) in inpatients undergoing surgery. NICE clinical guideline 46 (2007). Available from www.nice.org.uk/CG046

Under development

- Venous thromboembolism – prevention: reducing the risk of venous thromboembolism (deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism) in patients admitted to hospital. NICE clinical guideline (publication expected September 2009).

Updating the appraisal

This technology appraisal will be considered for review in February 2012. Information about the progress of a review will be available at www.nice.org.uk/TA170

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