1 Treatment & Condition
Nintedanib (Ofev®) for treating idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

2 Associated appraisal body & Summary of ruling
NICE technology appraisal guidance [TA379] (January 2016)

Nintedanib (Ofev®) is recommended as an option for treating idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, only if:
- the person has a forced vital capacity (FVC) between 50% and 80% of predicted;
- the company provides nintedanib with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme; and,
- treatment is stopped if disease progresses (a confirmed decline in per-cent predicted FVC of 10% or more) in any 12-month period.

3 Number of people in Northern Ireland expected to take up service/therapy (including new cases per year)
The table below is based on the Resource Impact Report that accompanies NICE TA379.

| Estimated number of people eligible for treatment with nintedanib in Northern Ireland |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Population                                    | Proportion      | Number of people |
| Total NI population                           |                 | 1,840,498        |
| Prevalence of IPF                             | 0.0234%         | 431              |
| Number of people eligible for treatment with nintedanib - proportion with forced vital capacity (FVC) between 50% and 80% of predicted | 50%             | 215              |
| Proportion continuing treatment (no confirmed decline in percent predicted FVC of 10% or more in any 12-month period) | 70%             | 151              |
| Uptake for treatment with nintedanib         | 51%             | 77               |

Therefore it is estimated that 215 people are eligible for treatment with nintedanib each year. This reduces to 151 people once discontinuation due to disease progression is taken into consideration. Of these, 77 people will continue treatment long-term.
4 **Patient Access Scheme availability**

The company that manufacturers nintedanib has agreed a patient access scheme with the Department of Health. This scheme provides a simple discount to the list price of nintedanib, with the discount applied at the point of purchase or invoice. The level of the discount is commercial in confidence.

5 **Costs (before PAS if applicable)**

5.1 **Drug cost per patient per annum (for new and prevalent cases)**

The recommended dosage of nintedanib is 150mg, given orally, twice daily. The list price of nintedanib is £2,151 for 60 capsules. This equates to a daily cost of £71.70 (2 capsules per day) and an annual cost per patient of £26,171.

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5.2 **Infrastructure costs per patient per annum**

Any additional infrastructure costs associated with the introduction of these therapies will be dealt with as part of the routine commissioning process.

5.3 **Current in year costs**

The current in year costs are estimated at £30k.

5.4 **Recurrent overall costs per annum before PAS (including additional costs)**

According to the Resource Impact Template that accompanies NICE TA379 and, before application of the PAS discounts for both nintedanib and pirfenidone and assuming no patients are receiving nintedanib at baseline, the recurrent cost per annum in Northern Ireland will reach steady state by year 5 and will be £474k.

5.5 **Opportunities for cost savings and how these will be secured**

Cost savings are not anticipated.

6 **Expected implementation period**

There is no barrier to immediate implementation for new patients.

7 **Commissioning arrangements**

This regimen will be formally commissioned by the HSCB/PHA via the Specialist Services Commissioning Team initially on a cost-per-case (CPC) basis for a period of 12 months. After this time, numbers of patients who received or are receiving treatment will be reviewed and consideration will be given to moving to recurrent funding to support this regimen.
## Monitoring arrangements

Trusts will be required to provide Specialist Services Commissioning Team on a quarterly basis commencing 2016/17 with the following information:

- the number of patients that have been given the drug and the cost of the drug per patient;
- confirmation that each patient complies with the NICE requirements for this treatment;
- confirmation that each patient has been reviewed within 12 months of commencing treatment to determine if there is evidence of disease progression (a decline in per cent predicted FVC of 10% or more); and,
- the number of patients ceasing treatment.

## DHSSPS Legislative/Policy Caveats

This advice does not override or replace the individual responsibility of health professionals to make appropriate decisions in the circumstances of their individual patients, in consultation with the patient and/or guardian or carer. This would, for example, include situations where individual patients have other conditions or complications that need to be taken into account in determining whether the NICE guidance is fully appropriate in their case.