Click here to access the guidelines/NICE algorithm N&WICS - TA217 - Donepezil - Alzheimer's disease (mild to moderate) Before providing patient identifiable data on this form, please confirm that the patient (or in the case of a minor or vulnerable adult with the parent/legal guardian/carer) has given appropriate explicit consent for sensitive personal information on this form to be passed to the CCG and/or CSU for processing this funding request and validating subsequent invoices. Consent given: If there is more than one NICE-approved treatment available, a discussion between the responsible clinician and the patient has taken place about the advantages and disadvantages of the treatments available. This has taken into consideration therapeutic need and whether or not the patient is likely to adhere to treatment. The most appropriate, least expensive, will be chosen (taking into account administration costs, dosage and price per dose) unless an order of preference is stated in the TAs. Patient **Practice** Trust: NHS No: Name: **Patient** Consultant **Practice** Hospital Making Postcode: No: Request: Patient's **Practice** Initials and Code: DoB: Notification Contact Email (@NHS.net account ONLY) name & Address: number: Provider: Start date ☐ Private ☐ NHS of Supplier: Sub-Type: ☐ Homecare ☐ Hospital requested treatment: (if applicable) By completing this form, you confirm that you intend to use the requested medicinal product described below as agreed in the local commissioning statement. Any requests which fall outside of this use will require an individual funding request (IFR). For support regarding IFRs, please contact: norfolkicd@nhs.net For support regarding the criteria listed below, please contact: norfolknontariff@nhs.net Please indicate whether patient meets the following NICE criteria: Please tick 1. The three acetylcholinesterase (AChE) inhibitors donepezil, galantamine and rivastigmine as monotherapies are recommended as options for managing mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease under all of ☐Yes ☐No the conditions specified in 1.4 and in recommendation 1.5.5 of the NICE guideline on dementia. 2. Memantine monotherapy is recommended as an option for managing Alzheimer's disease for people with: moderate Alzheimer's disease who are intolerant of or have a contraindication to AChE inhibitors or □Yes □No • severe Alzheimer's disease. Treatment should be under the conditions specified in recommendation 1.5.5 in the NICE guideline on dementia. 3. This recommendation has been updated and replaced by recommendation 1.5.5 in the NICE guideline on ☐ Yes ☐ No dementia. 4. If prescribing an AChE inhibitor (donepezil, galantamine or rivastigmine), treatment should normally be started with the drug with the lowest acquisition cost (taking into account required daily dose and the price per dose once shared care has started). However, an alternative AChE inhibitor could be prescribed if it is ☐ Yes ☐ No considered appropriate when taking into account adverse event profile, expectations about adherence. medical comorbidity, possibility of drug interactions and dosing profiles. 5. When using assessment scales to determine the severity of Alzheimer's disease, healthcare professionals should take into account any physical, sensory or learning disabilities, or communication

difficulties that could affect the results and make any adjustments they consider appropriate. Healthcare

different ethnic groups, in particular those from different cultural backgrounds.

These include:

professionals should also be mindful of the need to secure equality of access to treatment for patients from

6. When assessing the severity of Alzheimer's disease and the need for treatment, healthcare professionals should not rely solely on cognition scores in circumstances in which it would be inappropriate to do so.

• if the cognition score is not, or is not by itself, a clinically appropriate tool for assessing the severity of that

☐Yes ☐No

patient's dementia because of the patient's learning difficulties or other disabilities (for example, sensory impairments), linguistic or other communication difficulties or level of education or		□Yes □No
• if it is not possible to apply the tool in a language in which the patient is sufficiently fluent for it to be appropriate for assessing the severity of dementia or		
• if there are other similar reasons why using a cognition score, or the score alone, would be inappropriate for assessing the severity of dementia.In such cases healthcare professionals should determine the need for initiation or continuation of treatment by using another appropriate method of assessment.		
7. As per NICE guidance, treatment should normally be started with the least expensive drug (considering the dose required, price per dose and any additional administration costs).		
Please confirm that the choice of drug is considered the most cost-effective treatment for this individual patient, noting that alternative treatment options recommended by NICE may be lower in cost, including the use of biosimilar medications if applicable.		□Yes □No
Where an alternative lower cost treatment is available and has not been tried by the patient, please confirm that the clinical rationale for prescribing has been included in the patients' medical record for the purpose of auditing.		
8. The product is being used as described by local commissioning position.		□Yes □No
I confirm that the patient meets the criteria for treatment		
Name of person completing:	Contact Details:	
Designation of person completing: Date:		
Trust Authorising Pharmacist		
Name: Date:		