

Autism in Children and Young People Guideline Development Group Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday 18 April 2012, 10.30am – 4pm

Minutes: Confirmed

Place: The Royal College of Psychiatrists'
4th Floor Standon House
21 Mansell Street
London
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Present: **GDG members**
Gillian Baird (GB) (Chair)
Tim Kendall (TK) (facilitator)
Virginia Bovell (VB)
Carole Buckley (CB)
Tony Charman (TC)
Patricia Howlin (PH)
Glenys Jones (GJ)
Ann Le Couteur (ALC)
Robin Mackenzie (RM)
Barbara Parker (BP)
Stephen Simpson (SS)
Emily Simonoff (ES)
Vicky Slonims (VS)
Alison Stewart (AS)
Gabriel Whittingum (GW)

Experts
None

In attendance:
NCCMH Staff: Odette Megnin-Viggars (OMV)
Rachael Lee (RL)
Ifigeneia Mavranezouli (IM)
Katherine Leggett (KL)
Beth Anderson (BA) (SCIE)

NICE staff: Caroline Keir (CK)

Observers: None

Notes

1. GB welcomed the group and all members introduced themselves. Apologies were received from Katy Strudwick, Jonathan Green and Nick Gould.
2. All members declared their interests and submitted their declaration of interest forms.
3. IM presented the revisions to the economic plan and discussed the priorities for the health economics for this guideline. The economic plan was signed off by the GDG.
4. PH gave a brief overview of Applied Behaviour Analysis.
5. OMV presented the data on behaviour-focused interventions.
6. IM presented the health economics data for behaviour-focused interventions.
7. Service user and carers' concerns were discussed.
8. GB gave a brief overview of the current use of antipsychotics for children and young people with autism.
9. OMV presented the data for pharmacological interventions.
10. BA presented the methodology, inclusion criteria and evidence base for the experience of care.
11. TK discussed with the group the writing activities and writing plan.
12. Next Meeting: 10.30am-4pm, 29 May 2012.