

Membership of Guideline Committee: Medicines associated with dependence or withdrawal symptoms: safe prescribing and withdrawal management for adults

The Committee will operate as an advisory Committee to NICE's Board, developing the clinical guideline on Medicines associated with dependence or withdrawal symptoms: safe prescribing and withdrawal management for adults. The terms of reference and standing orders for the Committee can be found in [appendix D of Developing NICE guidelines: the manual](#).

Membership list

Agreed Constituency	Name	Job Title, Organisation	Comment
Chair			
Chair	Professor Deirdre Kelly	Professor of Paediatric Hepatology, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust	Resigned: November, 2020
Chair	Ms. Margaret Lally	Independent Consultant	Joined: January 2021.
Topic Advisor			
Topic Advisor	Dr. Cathy Stannard	Consultant in Complex Pain/Pain Transformation Programme Clinical Lead, NHS Gloucestershire CCG	
Core members / Members			
General Practitioner	Dr. Jens Foell	General Practitioner principal in North Wales Plas Menai Llanfairfechan	
General Practitioner	Dr. Caroline Watson	Lead General Practitioner, HMP Bedford	
Advanced Pharmacist Practitioner	Ms. Emma Davies	Advanced Pharmacist Practitioner Pain Management, Swansea Bay University Health Board	
Pain specialist/Physician	Dr. Benjamin Ellis	Consultant Rheumatologist, Imperial College Healthcare	
Lay member	Mr. Luke Montagu	Patient Advocate	Resigned: June 2020
Nurse specialist	Mr. Mark Buitendach	Clinical Lead/Quality & Governance Lead Inclusion – Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust	
Lay member	Mrs. Louise Trewern	Patient Advocate	
Consultant Psychiatrist	Dr. Parashar Ramnuj	Lead Psychiatrist, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital	
Addiction psychiatrist	Dr. Emily Finch	Clinical Director, Southwark and Addictions operational directorate, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust	

Coopted members

Lay member	Mr. Colin Wilkinson	Patient Advocate	Joined: June 2021
Psychologist with experience in withdrawal management	Mr. Andre Geel	Consultant Clinical Psychologist in Substance Misuse, Central and North West London, NHS Trust	