

**Confirmed NICE Minutes**  
**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Constipation in Children Guideline Development Group (GDG) Meeting**  
**Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2008 at the Royal College of Obstetricians and  
Gynaecologists (10am – 4pm).**

<b>Present:</b>	Jenny Gordon (JG)	GDG Chair
	Huw Jenkins (HJ)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist
	Janet Blannin (JB)	Parent Carer and Clinical Nurse Advisor to ERIC
	Karen Tucker (KT)	Parent/carer
	Kate Blakeley (KB)	Consultant Paediatric Clinical Psychologist
	Lynne Watson (LW)	Specialist Health Visitor - Special Need and Children's Continence
	Nick Nelhans (NN)	Consultant Paediatrician
	Sian Hooban (SH) (GDG 5)	Team Leader, Community Children's Nurses
	Sara Mancell (SM)	Dietician/nutritionist
	June Rogers (JR)	Team Director Promocon, Disabled Living
	David Tappin (DT)	Community paediatrician and public health doctor
	Jonathan Sutcliffe (JS)	Consultant Paediatric Surgeon
<b>NCC staff:</b>	Monica Lakhanpaul (ML)	Co-Director (Children's Health), NCC-WCH
	Roz Ullman (RU)	Senior Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
	Lauren Bardisa-Ezcurra (LBE)	Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
	Carolina Ortega (CO)	Work Programme Co-ordinator, NCC-WCH
<b>External Advisor:</b>	David Candy (DC)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist
<b>Invited:</b>	Caroline Keir (CK)	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) Guidelines Commissioning Manager
<b>Apologies:</b>	James Cave (JC)	General Practitioner
	Sian Hooban (SH) (GDG 6)	Team Leader, Community Children's Nurses
	Rosie Crossley (RC)	Work Programme Co-ordinator, NCC-WCH

**GDG 5: Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2008 at the RCOG.**

1. JG welcomed the group to the meeting. Apologies were received from JC and RC. There were no new interests declared by those present at the meeting.

The project notes (Paper 1a of the meeting papers) were approved as an accurate record of the meeting. JG signed the Project notes. The minutes (Paper 1b of the meeting papers) were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

2. Items 2 & 3 were deferred until after lunch time.

5. JG explained to all GDG members that agenda items 2 and 3 will be taking place after lunch time and instead item 5 on the agenda will be taking place.

JG asked the GDG to divide in small groups to work in teams in order to devise questions the GDG want to ask young people in accordance with the scope, in order to get the view of children in the guideline. The GDG broke into small groups for the exercise.

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Break for tea/coffee

6. Involving Children (continuation): JG asked GDG members to present their group work. The GDG discussed the information available to the public at the moment and which one is from the adult point of view and how they work.

Lunch Break – JS joined the meeting at 12.30 hrs. RU & ML left the meeting at this point.

2. Transit times Background: A presentation was given on Transit Time (time from ingestion to evacuation): It covered the following points:

3. Clinical evidence: A presentation was given on the diagnostic accuracy of the colonic transit time in diagnosing Constipation in Children.

4. The GDG translation from Evidence to Recommendation was drafted live. The GDG agreed to write 'Transit Studies' instead of CTT.

*CK joined the GDG meeting at 14.10pm*

The group suggested modifications to the draft recommendations.

Break for tea/coffee

7. Any other business

No other business was declared. JG thanked the participants for attending and closed the meeting.  
Close.

**GDG 6: Wednesday the 17th of September 2008 at the RCOG.**

8. JG welcomed the group to the meeting. Apologies were received from JC, SH and RC. There were no new interests declared by those present at the meeting.

9. Disimpaction – Clinical Evidence and HE evidence: evidence on Disimpaction and the Health Economics relating to Disimpaction was presented.

Break for tea/coffee

10. Disimpaction: discussion of evidence (all GDG): JG compiled a list of drug combinations from the GDG for the health economic model.

Lunch Break

11. Disimpaction: Making recommendations: The GDG discussed and made a recommendation on Disimpaction.

Break for tea/coffee – ML left at 14:45 hrs.

12. Constipation and UTIc: JG told the GDG to take a look at the UTIc Guideline so that the GDG does not contradict its recommendations. She asked the GDG to email her their comments.

13. The GDG discussed and agreed on topic group members for the clinical questions to be covered at the remaining GDG meetings.

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14. Future reviews: A presentation was given on the structure and topics for future meetings, including the corresponding topic groups.

15. AOB: JG reminded all GDG members to get back to RC formally on email within deadline established with confirmation of train reservations and accommodation.

JG thanked the participants for attending and closed the meeting.

CLOSE

Signed:..... Date:.....  
Dr Monica Lakhanpaul, Clinical Co-director, NCC-WCH

Signed:..... Date:.....  
Dr Jenny Gordon, Constipation in Children GDG Chair