

Rehabilitation for chronic neurological disorders (including acquired brain injury)
Meeting 32
Date: 11th October 2024

Location: Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:		
Name	Role	Present for
Ian Bernstein (IB)	Chair	Items 1 – 5
Rachel Keetley (RK)	Topic Adviser	Items 1 – 5
Lisa Bunn (LBN)	Physiotherapist	Items 1 – 5
Teresa Clark (TC)	Physiotherapist	Items 1 – 5
Jacqueline Dean (JD)	Occupational Therapist	Items 1 – 5
Jill Kings (JK)	Occupational Therapist	Items 1 – 5
Gaby Parker (GP)	Neuropsychologist	Items 1 – 5
Yvonne Pettigrew (YP)	Lay Member	Items 1 – 5
Joanne Powell (JP)	Nurse	Items 1 – 5
Gerry Roxburgh (GR)	Speech and Language Therapist	Items 1 – 5
Sue Williams (SW)	Lay Member	Items 1 – 5

In attendance:		
Name	Role	Present for
Lisa Boardman (LB)	Topic Lead	Items 1 – 5
Shalmali Deshpande	Technical Analyst	Items 1 – 5
Jon Littler	Project Manager	Items 1 – 5
Alice Navein (AN)	Technical Analyst	Items 1 – 5
Joanne Perkin (JPE)	Senior Medical Editor	Items 1 – 5
Eric Slade (ES)	Senior Health Economist	Items 1 – 5

Apologies:	
Emer McGilloway	Topic Adviser
Parashar Ramanuj	Topic Adviser
Jane Williams	Topic Adviser
Fisayo Abba-Abba	NICE Technical Analyst
Nicholas Behn	Speech and Language Therapist
Charlie Fairhurst	NICE Clinical Adviser
Rachel Farrell	Neurologist

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Jen Francis	NICE Coordinator
Jen M. Francis	NICE Senior Systematic Reviewer
Victoria Freeman	NICE Systematic Reviewer
Anja Fricke	NICE Technical Analyst
Mark Holloway	Social Worker
Jenny Jim	Clinical Psychologist
Nassif Mansour	GP
Hamise Smith	Dietician
Kelly Williams	NICE Senior Systematic Reviewer

1. Welcome and objectives of the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 32nd Guideline Committee meeting on rehabilitation for chronic neurological disorders (including acquired brain injury).

The Chair informed the committee that apologies had been received, as noted above.

2. Confirmation of matter under discussion and declarations of interest

The Chair confirmed that, for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest, the matter under discussion was rehabilitation for chronic neurological disorders (including acquired brain injury).

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have risen since the last meeting. The below declarations were made:

Name	Role	Type of interest	Description of interest	Relevant dates		
				Interest arose	Interest declared	Interest ceased
Teresa Clark	Physiotherapist	Direct – non-financial professional and personal interests	Paper submitted to American Journal of Bioethics - Neuroscience 'Making healthcare decisions on behalf of people in a disorder of consciousness. A 'risk-making' theory of decisional practices.'		11/10/2024	Ongoing
Teresa Clark	Physiotherapist	Direct – non-financial professional and personal interests	Paper submitted to Expert Review of Neurotherapeutics The effectiveness and safety of botulinum toxin salivary gland injection for drooling in adults with severe brain injury.		11/10/2024	Ongoing
Gaby Parker	Neuropsychologist	Direct – non-financial professional and personal interests	Invited to speak at the Ahead Together conference in May 2025, which will be focusing on the role of hope in rehabilitation	09/2024	14/10/2025	05/2025

			<p>following brain injury. The conference is sponsored by RWK Goodman solicitors. My participation is unpaid however overnight expenses and refreshments are included.</p>			

It was agreed that these interests would not present a conflict at this meeting,

3. Morning presentations

The Chair introduced Lisa Boardman to present the morning’s content. This was an overview of the recommendations made this far to agree final wording before consultation, with the focus if the morning being section 2 of the draft guideline – identifying rehabilitation needs and referral.

After presentation and discussion of the evidence, the committee were invited to draft recommendations.

4. Afternoon presentations

The afternoon’s business consisted of further recommendation drafting for section 2 with some additional recommendation drafting for section 1 of the draft guideline – designing rehabilitation services.

Once this concluded, the Chair thanked NICE team members for all their hard work preparing the evidence for the day, and the committee for their contributions, before moving on to the final item of the day.

5. Any other Business

The Chair closed the meeting at 1pm.

Location and date of next meeting:

Virtually, Monday 14th October 2024