

Harmful Gambling: identification, assessment & management Committee Meeting 5

Minutes

Date: 28/07/2022

Location: Virtual, via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Peter Hoskin (Chair)	Present for items 1- 5
Matthew Gaskell (Topic Advisor)	Present for items 1- 5
Jenny Blythe	Present for items 1- 5
Dragos Dragomir	Present for items 1- 5
Henrietta Bowden-Jones	Present for items 1- 5 (morning only)
Robert Dawson	Present for items 1- 5
Andre Geel	Present for items 4 - 5
Soyar Sherkat	Present for items 1- 5 (morning only)
Mohammed Rahman	Present for items 1- 5
Susan Acton	Present for items 1- 5
Ellie Gordon	Present for items 1- 5
Barbara Sahakian	Present for items 1- 5
Liz Ritchie	Present for items 1- 5

In attendance:		
Catrina Charlton	Guideline Commissioning Manager	Present for items 1- 5
Hilary Eadon	Guideline Lead	Present for items 1- 5
Josh South	Senior Project Manager	Present for items 1- 5
Jennifer Francis	Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1- 5
Anja Fricke	Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1- 5
Alice Navein	Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1- 5
Ifigeneia Mavranouzouli	Senior Health Economist	Present for items 1- 5
Paul Levay	Information Scientist	Present for items 1- 5
Tim Reeves	Guideline Lead (observer)	Present for items 1- 5

Apologies:

Gemma Buckland	GC Member
Steve Pilling	NICE Clinical Advisor
Anna Hargrave	GC Member
Emma Ryan	GC Member
Owen Baily	Lay Member

1. Welcome, housekeeping, apologies

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the 5th meeting on Harmful gambling: Identification, assessment, and management. The Committee members and attendees introduced themselves.

The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received. These are noted above.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

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 the identification, assessment and management of harmful gambling.

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have arisen since the last meeting. The following interests were declared:

Name	Job title, organisation	Declarations of Interest, date declared	Type of interest	Decision taken
Liz Ritchie	Lay Member	Appearance in TV documentary Gambling: A matter of life and death (IPlayer) – July 2022	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Appearance in documentary not a conflict to participation in guideline
Liz Ritchie	Lay Member	All Party Parliamentary Group on gambling related harm - evidence requested and given – July 2022	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Not a conflict to participation in guideline
Liz Ritchie	Lay Member	Peers for Gambling Reform – evidence requested and	Direct Non-financial professional and personal	Rationale: Not a conflict to participation in guideline

		given – July 2022	interests	
Liz Ritchie	Lay Member	Membership of Advisory Group OHID Treatment Thresholds Project – July 2022	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Not a conflict to participation in guideline, as long as information on treatment thresholds for OHID work does not influence consideration of treatment assessment evidence. If so, member may need to abstain from making recommendations.
Dr Robert Dawson	GC Member	Attended meeting : The Future of Gambling Support and Treatment: Gamcare at 25. Hosted by Alex Sobel MP at Westminster. Travel expenses paid by charity. NECA receives some funding from GamCare, which is funded by GambleAware. GambleAware is funded by the gambling industry	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: The meeting was an update on the services offered by GamCare and so is not a conflict with the development of recommendations for NHS services as part of the guideline.
Dr Robert Dawson	GC Member	Attended Gambling related Harms, Next Steps, workshop – Public Health North Tyneside Council. In my role as clinical director of NECA. In person meeting brings together North Tyneside Public Health, council enforcement, Health visiting, Citizens advice et	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Attending a local public health-led workshop to improve local coordination of services is not a conflict with the development of recommendations for NHS services as part of the guideline

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Matthew Gaskell	Topic Advisor	Interviewed for BBC documentary called 'Gambling: A matter of life and death'	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Participation in documentary on gambling is not a conflict with the development of recommendations on gambling treatment.
Matthew Gaskell	Topic Advisor	Advisory Group for OHID commissioned research on treatment thresholds with University of Sheffield	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Not a conflict to participation in guideline, as long as information on treatment thresholds for OHID work does not influence consideration of treatment assessment evidence. If so, member may need to abstain from making recommendations.
Henrietta Bowden-Jones	Committee member	Co-author on systematic review: 'Pharmacological interventions for the treatment of pathological and problem gambling'. Collaboration with Cochrane.	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Co-authorship of a publication which will be considered by the committee as part of its evidence is not conflict with the development of recommendations.
Henrietta Bowden-Jones	Committee member	Gave 'President's Prestigious Lecture' at RCPsych entitled 'Breaking Free: How to stop gambling in a post review era'	Direct Non-financial professional and personal interests	Rationale: Lecture expresses strong views on the use of CBT and naltrexone for the treatment of gambling disorder. The committee will need to be aware of this when discussing the evidence for these interventions and the member may

				need to withdraw from making recommendations about these interventions.
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3. Minutes of last meeting

The Chair asked the Committee if it wanted any changes made to the minutes of the last meeting. The Committee agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate account of the meeting.

4. Presentations and discussions

The Chair introduced Catrina Charlton, Guideline Commissioning Manager, who gave a presentation on the NICE recommended terminology to use when drafting recommendations.

The Chair introduced Jennifer Francis, Senior Systematic Reviewer, who gave a presentation on:

RQ 4.1a protocol update - What is the effectiveness of pharmacological interventions for people who participate in harmful gambling (including those with comorbid conditions)?

The committee discussed and agreed the use of the Cochrane protocol.

The Chair introduced Anja Fricke, Systematic Reviewer who gave a presentation on:

RQ 2.1 evidence report - What are the information and support needs of people who participate in harmful gambling, their families, friends and others close to them?

The committee discussed the evidence and agreed on draft recommendations.

The Chair introduced Alice Navein, Systematic Reviewer, who gave a presentation on:

RQ 5.2 evidence report - What is the effectiveness of interventions and approaches for reducing gambling-related harms for families, friends, and others close to people who gamble?

The committee discussed the evidence and agreed on draft recommendations and research recommendations.

The Chair asked the lay members present if they had anything they wished to raise

at the meeting.

5. Any other business

There was no further business.

The Chair closed the meeting at 17:00

The next meeting is to be held on the 8th September 2022 via Zoom.