

Fertility problems committee meeting 16

Date: 16/10/2024

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Fergus Macbeth	Present for notes 1-6
Kate Brian	Present for notes 1-5
Ciaran Hannington	Present for notes 1-5
Jason Kasraie	Present for notes 1-5
Stuart Lavery	Present for notes 1-6
Raj Mathur	Present for notes 1-6
Kevin McEleny	Present for notes 1-6
Allan Pacey	Present for notes 1-6
Yasmin Rahman	Present for notes 4-5
Nicky Hudson	Present for notes 1-6
Guy Morris	Present for notes 1-6

In attendance:		
Maija Kallioinen	Topic Lead	Present for notes 1-6
Katie Tuddenham	Project Manager	Present for notes 1-6
Odette Megnin-Viggars	Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-6
Laura Berg	Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-6
Rachel Connolly	Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-5
Paul Jacklin	Senior Health Economist	Present for notes 1-6
Alexandra Bonnon	Health Economist	
Stephen Murphy	Clinical Adviser	Present for notes 1-6
Sarah Palombella	Senior Medical Editor	Present for notes 1-6
Philip Williams	Resource Impact Business Analyst	Present for notes 1-6
Nicky Welton	NICE Technical Support Unit, University of Bristol	Present for notes 1-6
Beatrice (Bea) Downing	NICE Technical Support Unit, University of Bristol	Present for notes 1-6
Observers:		
Lesley Owen	Health Economics Adviser	Present for notes 1-6
Sara Buckner	Senior Topic Adviser	Present for notes 1-5

Apologies	
Aye Paing	Systematic Reviewer

Clifford Middleton	Quality Consistency and Engagement Manager
Maj Shabbir	Guideline Committee
Bethan Shoemark-Spear	Guideline Committee
Peter Taylor	Guideline Committee
Francesca Steyn	Guideline Committee
Rachel Cutting	HFEA Adviser

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 16th meeting of the fertility guideline update.

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

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting which included NHS access to IVF economic model, based on RQ 3.1.1, and RQ 4.1.1 What is the effectiveness and safety of fertility preservation for children and adults undergoing treatment for cancer and other conditions or situations which are likely to impair their fertility?

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 fertility problems.

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

Name	Job title, organisation	Declarations of Interest, date declared	Type of interest	Decision taken
Raj Mathur	GC member	I am a member of the Greater Manchester Assisted Conception and Fertility Preservation Steering Group, which was dormant but has been re-started in September 2024. My role is to provide advice and opinion about different models of delivering care for fertility patients across Greater Manchester. This includes developing pathways for different patient groups, and will potentially also include the number of IVF cycles to be funded by the NHS locally. The group is ultimately answerable to Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board. It has membership from clinicians and managers from regional hospitals	Direct Non-financial professional and personal	Non-specific. Declare and participate. Rationale: Involvement in a professional organisation is not a conflict with the development of the guideline.

		and assisted conception providers.		
3. Minutes of last meeting				
The Chair asked the committee to confirm the minutes of GC15. The committee confirmed the minutes were accurate.				
4. Morning presentations and discussions				
The Chair introduced Paul Jacklin, Health Economics Adviser, who gave a presentation on NHS access to IVF economic model, based on RQ 3.1.1. The committee discussed the model limitations and results, based on live scenarios run for the model.				
5. Afternoon presentations and discussions				
The Chair asked the lay members present if they had anything they wished to discuss.				
The Chair introduced Maija Kallioinen, Topic Lead who led the committee in reviewing and drafting recommendations related to RQ3.1.1, NHS access to IVF economic model.				
The Chair introduced Rachel Connolly, Technical Analyst and Laura Berg, Technical Analyst who presented the evidence for RQ 4.1.1 What is the effectiveness and safety of fertility preservation for children and adults undergoing treatment for cancer and other conditions or situations which are likely to impair their fertility?				
The Chair reintroduced Maija Kallioinen, Topic Lead who led the committee in reviewing and drafting recommendations related to RQ 4.1.1 What is the effectiveness and safety of fertility preservation for children and adults undergoing treatment for cancer and other conditions or situations which are likely to impair their fertility?				
6. Any other business				
There being none, the Chair closed the meeting at 16:45.				

Date of next meeting: 21 November 2024

Location of next meeting: Virtual via Zoom