

Fertility problems Committee meeting 3

Date: 21/02/2023

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Fergus Macbeth	Present for notes 1-6
Raj Mathur	Present for notes 1-6
Maj Shabbir	Present for notes 1-6
Jason Kasraie	Present for notes 4-6
Stuart Lavery	Present for notes 1-6
Nicky Hudson	Present for notes 1-6
Francesca Steyn	Present for notes 1-6
Kate Brian	Present for notes 1-6
Bethan Shoemark-Spear	Present for notes 1-6
Ciaran Hannington	Present for notes 1-6
Kevin McEleny	Present for notes 1-6
Guy Morris	Present for notes 1-6
Allan Pacey	Present for notes 1-6
Peter Taylor	Present for notes 1-6

In attendance:		
Hilary Eadon	Guideline Lead	Present for notes 1-6
Rachel Connolly	Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-6
Katriona O'Donoghue	Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-6
Odette Megnin-Viggars	Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for notes 1-6
Georgina Winney	Business Administrator	Present for notes 1-3
Ali Bonnon	Health Economist	Present for notes 4-6
Paul Jacklin	Senior Health Economist	Present for notes 1-6

Liz Pearton	Information Scientist	Present for notes 1-6
Clifford Middleton	Commissioning Manager	Present for notes 1-6
Stephen Murphy	Clinical Advisor	Present for notes 1-6
Sarah Palombella	Senior Medical Editor	Present for notes 1-6
Philip Williams	Resource Impact Lead	Present for notes 1-6
Rachel Cutting	HFEA Observer	Present for notes 4-6

Apologies:

Josh South	NICE Project Manager
Yasmin Rahman	GC Member - GP

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the 3rd meeting of the Fertility guideline. The Committee members and attendees introduced themselves.

The Chair gave a reminder of housekeeping rules for a virtual meeting.

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

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting which included looking at review questions and protocols.

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 had arisen since the last meeting. No new declarations were made.

3. Minutes of last meeting

The committee confirmed they were happy with the minutes from the 2nd GC meeting.

4. Presentations

The Chair introduced Sarah Palombella, Senior Medical Editor who gave a presentation on the role of the NICE Editor.

The Chair introduced Odette Megnin-Viggars, Senior Systematic Reviewer who presented an update on review protocol 2.1.1 *‘What is the accuracy of ovarian reserve testing in predicting: the outcome of fertility treatment; the likelihood of spontaneous conception?’*

The Chair introduced Rachel Connolly, Systematic Reviewer, who presented evidence report RQ 1.2.1 *‘What is the effectiveness of hormone treatment in male factor fertility problems?’*

The Chair introduced Katriona O’Donoghue, Systematic Reviewer, who presented review protocol RQ 1.2.3: *‘What is the effectiveness of surgical interventions for male factor fertility problems associated with obstructive azoospermia?’*

The Chair introduced Odette Megnin-Viggars, Senior Systematic Reviewer who presented RQ 2.1.4 protocol: *‘What is the value of endometrial receptivity (ERA) testing in improving the chance of live birth in women undergoing in vitro fertilisation (IVF)?’*

5. Questions and discussion

The committee discussed the draft protocol for question 2.1.1 and signed off the protocol from GC2.

The committee discussed the evidence report for RQ 1.2.1 and listened to topic group feedback on the report and draft recommendations proposed. The committee agreed on recommendations.

The committee discussed the draft protocol for question 1.2.3 and agreed on population characteristics and potential separate groups or likely subgroups, details of relevant interventions and outcomes.

The committee discussed the draft protocol for question 2.1.4 and agreed on population characteristics and potential separate groups or likely subgroups, details of relevant interventions and outcomes.

6. Any other business

The Chair closed the meeting at 16:30 and reminded the committee that the next meeting will be held virtually on Zoom.

Date of next meeting: 23rd March 2023,

Location of next meeting: Via Zoom