

Bipolar Disorder Working Group meeting

Date: 16/02/2023

Location: Virtual

Minutes: Confirmed

Committee members present:	
Elizabeth Kay (Chair)	Present for notes 1 – 3
Priya Natarajan	Present for notes 1 – 3
Aditya Sharma	Present for notes 1 – 3
Zoe Pease	Present for notes 1 – 3
Ivan Kennes	Present for notes 1 – 3
Nigel Barnes	Present for notes 1 – 3
Apologies:	
Claire Coppens	
Leigh Henderson	

In attendance:		
Angela Bennett	Director of Guidelines, GDT-NGA	Present for notes 1 – 3
Hilary Eadon	Guideline Lead, GDT- NGA	Present for notes 1 - 3
Steve Pilling	Clinical Adviser, GDT- NGA	Present for notes 1 – 3
Odette Megnin-Viggars	Senior Systematic Reviewer, GDT-NGA	Present for notes 1 – 3
Catharine Baden-Daintree	Senior Medical Editor	Present for notes 1 – 3
Sarah Mee	Senior Medical Assessor, MHRA	Present for notes 1 – 3

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the members and attendees to the 3rd meeting of the Bipolar

Disorder Working Group.

The Chair informed the Working Group that apologies had been received from Claire Coppens and Leigh Henderson.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting, which were to review the recommendations from GC185 about the use of sodium valproate and agree if changes were needed in light of changes made to the regulations by the MHRA.

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 use of sodium valproate for the treatment of bipolar disorder

A record of the interests declared by Working Group members is available on the NICE website. No new interests were declared at the meeting.

A senior member of the Developer's team noted that the interests declared did not prevent the attendees from fully participating in the meeting.

3. Presentations and discussion

Angela Bennett presented the revised recommendation wording discussed during previous meetings. The Working Group then discussed this wording and signed off the updated recommendations.

Date of next meeting: TBC

Location of next meeting: Virtual