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Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Guideline Committee – development

Date: 11/04/2017

Location: NICE offices, London

Minutes: Final



Committee members present:	
Andrew Bradbury (AB) – Chair	Present for all items
Alun Huw Davies (AHD)	Present for all items
Chris Hammond (CH)	Present for all items
Karen Jellett (KJ)	Present from item 3
Adam Pichel (AP)	Present for all items
Matthew Slater (MS)	Present for all items
Les Ruffell (LR)	Present for all items
Alan Huw Smith (AHS)	Present for all items
Noel Wilson (NW)	Present for all items

In attendance:		
Jamie Elvidge (JE)	GUT – Senior Analyst (HE)	Present for all items
Caroline Mulvihill (CM)	GUT – Technical Advisor	Present for all items
Adam O’Keefe (AO)	GUT – Project Manager	Present for all items
Jeffrey Tabiri-Essuman (JT)	GUT – Technical Analyst	Present for all items
Sue Spiers (SS)	GUT – Associate Director	Present from item 3

Apologies:
Gillian Kitching - Committee member
Tamsin Ribbons - Committee member
Claire Martin – Committee member
Sarah Glover – NICE Information Specialist
Justine Karpusheff - NICE Guidelines Commissioning Manager
Lisa Stone – NICE – MPP Medicines Advisor

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1. Welcome, apologies, minutes of the last meeting, declarations of interest

Welcome

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the ninth meeting of the abdominal aortic aneurysm guideline committee, following a six month pause in the development process.

Apologies

Apologies for the meeting were received as detailed above.

Objectives

The Chair outlined the main objectives of the meeting, which included the presentation of evidence reviews for review questions 7, 10 and 22.

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the previous meeting.

Declarations of interest

Each committee member was asked to declare any new conflicts since the previous meeting. There were no new conflicts of interest declared. AHD declared funding from NIHR for a study previously declared. The Chair confirmed that, having reviewed the historical declaration of interests table that the committee members present were eligible to attend the committee meeting and contribute to the discussions and drafting of any recommendations.

2. Reminder of recommendations drafted to date and revised meeting & Review Question schedule.

AO provided a brief reminder of all recommendations drafted to date, the schedule of review questions going forward and future meeting dates and locations. AO noted that the draft chapters for Review Questions 4 and 5, discussed at the last meeting are yet to be reviewed by the committee and will be circulated with the post meeting papers from this meeting. AO also agreed to circulate the slides presented outlining the above.

3. Review Question 7: What is the effectiveness of early surgery compared with a continued surveillance approach in reducing morbidity and mortality in people with unruptured abdominal aortic aneurysms?

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NW provided a brief clinical introduction to the topic for the benefit of committee members and attendees.

JT provided the committee with a summary of key terminology to aid their understanding of the evidence presentations.

JT recapped the search protocol and presented the evidence supporting Review Question 7 for the committee's consideration. JE presented the economic evidence identified for this question, which led to the committee requesting JE investigate the feasibility of some new health economic work.

The committee considered the evidence presented and drafted four recommendations.

4. Review Question 10: Is CT angiography with post-processing techniques effective compared to CT angiography alone in planning surgery for an unruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm?

Review Question 22: Is CT angiography with post-processing techniques effective compared to CT angiography alone in planning surgery for a ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm?

CH provided a brief clinical introduction to the topic for the benefit of committee members and attendees.

JT recapped the search protocol for these questions for the committee's benefit. JT informed the committee that no relevant evidence had been identified and provided an explanation for the reasons studies had been excluded. JE informed the committee that no relevant health economic evidence had been identified.

The committee discussed its clinical experience in this area and decided to make no recommendations.

5. Next steps

The Chair thanked the committee for their time and contribution to the meeting. The venue, date and time of the next meeting was confirmed:

Date of next meeting: Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 May 2017.

Location of next meeting: NICE offices, Manchester.