

VTE Diseases Committee meeting

Date: 31/07/2018

Location: NICE – London

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Susan Bewley (SB) (Chair)	Present for all
Frances Akor (FA)	Present for all
Julia Anderson (JA)	Present from item 2
Michelle Greene (MG)	Present for all
Sam Hare (SH)	Present for all
Daniel Horner (DH)	Present for all
Terry McCormack (TM)	Present from item 2
Simon McPherson (SM)	Present from item 2
Karen Sheares (KS)	Present for all
Hazel Trender (HT)	Present for all
Astrid Ullrich-Boereboom (AU)	Present for all

In attendance:		
Elizabeth Barrett (EB)	NICE – Information Specialist	Present for all
Kathryn Hopkins (KH)	GUT – Technical Adviser	Present for all
Thomas Jarratt (TJ)	GUT – Technical Analyst	Present for all
Ben Johnson (BJ)	NICE – Health Economist	Present for all
Justine Karpusheff (JK)	NICE – Guidelines Commissioning Manager	Present for all
Bernadette Li (BL)	NICE – Technical Adviser (HE)	Present for all
Adam O'Keefe (AO)	GUT – Project Manager	Present for all

Apologies:	
Carol Hooper	Committee member
Nigel Langford	Committee member
Susan Spiers	NICE – Associate Director

1. Introductions and guideline committee working

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the third meeting on VTE diseases. The Committee members and attendees introduced themselves. The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received from those listed above.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record. The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests. The following new interests were declared:

Name	Job title	Declarations of Interest	Type of interest	Decision taken
Frances Akor	Pharmacist	Daichii-Sankyo (manufacturers of edoxaban) to sponsor travel, accommodation and attendance costs to European Society of Cardiology Congress taking place in Munich, Germany	Direct, financial (travel and subsistence only)	Declare and participate
Frances Akor	Pharmacist	Reviewer for the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death.	Direct, financial (travel and subsistence only)	Declare and participate
Astrid Ullrich-Boereboom	Lay member	Provided with free access to the engage self-care app by Lumiradx, the company that designed the app, for a year whilst promoting self-care at Warwick's	N/A	Not specific – no conflict

		NCAT day		
Karen Sheares	Physician	Pulmonary embolism reviewer for the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death	Direct, financial (travel and subsistence only)	Declare and participate

Having reviewed the registry of previous declarations, the Chair noted that the interests declared did not prevent the attendees from fully participating in the meeting.

2. Review protocols discussion

KH and TJ sought advice from the committee regarding queries with the review protocols which arose at the QA stage.

3. Review Question 1.1: In people with suspected DVT, what is the diagnostic accuracy of age-adjusted D-dimer tests compared with D-dimer tests without age adjustment? And;

Review Question 1.2: In people with suspected DVT, what is the diagnostic accuracy of point-of-care D-dimer tests compared with laboratory tests to identify DVT?

TJ reminded the committee of the search protocols and presented the clinical evidence supporting Review Questions 1.1 and 2.2 for the committee's consideration.

The committee discussed the evidence presented and drafted three new recommendations.

4. Health economics update

BJ discussed developments with the health economic model being constructed with the committee and checked with it that some of the assumptions made were reasonable.

5. Clinical introduction to the next topics

FA and SH presented brief clinical introductions on the topics of pharmacological management and investigations for cancer, scheduled for discussion at subsequent meetings, for the benefit of the committee and NICE team. The Chair thanked FA

and SH for their presentations.

6. Next steps

The Chair confirmed the venue, date and time of the next meeting, as detailed below and thanked the Committee and others present for their contribution to the meeting before closing the meeting.

Date of next meeting: Monday 10th September 2018

Location of next meeting: NICE - Manchester