

Myalgic encephalomyelitis (or encephalopathy)/Chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS) Committee meeting 27

Date: 19/04/2021

Location: Video-conference

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Peter Barry (Chair)	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Ilora Finlay (Vice-Chair)	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Theo Anbu	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Joanne Bond-Kendall	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Saran Bonser	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sally Burch	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Chris Burton	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Tony Crouch	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Jo Daniels	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Caroline Kingdon	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Adam Lowe	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Gabrielle Murphy	(Present for notes 3b – 4)
William Weir	(Present for notes 3a – 4)

In attendance:		
Kate Ashmore	NGC Project Manager	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Kate Kelley	NGC Guideline Lead	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Karin VanBart	NGC Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Melina Vasileiou	NGC Senior Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
David Wonderling	NGC Head of Health Economics	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Rupert Franklin	NICE Senior Guideline Commissioning	(Present for notes 1 – 4)

	Manager	
Ian Mather	NICE Business Analyst	(Present for notes 3a – 4)

Apologies:	
Michael Beadsworth	Consultant in Infectious Diseases, Clinical Director Specialist and Academic Medicine, Clinical Lead CFS/ME Regional Services, Royal Liverpool University Hospital
Dorinda Jack	Lay member
Luis Nacul	GP
Nicola Kidby	Lay member
Jennifer McIntosh	Senior Specialist Dietician, Mill Lodge CAMHS, Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Alan Stanton	Consultant Community Paediatrician, University Hospitals, Birmingham
Susan Watson	Team Manager, York and Selby IAPT, Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust.

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting
<p>The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the twenty seventh meeting of the ME/CFS guideline.</p> <p>The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received for this meeting. These are noted above.</p>
2. Declarations of interest
<p>The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have arisen since the last meeting. There were no new interests to be declared. The Chair and a senior member of the Developer's team noted that previous interests declared did not prevent the attendees from fully participating in the meeting.</p>
3. Presentations, questions and discussion
<p>a) The committee reviewed and discussed stakeholder comments and recommendations on flares and relapses.</p> <p>b) Karin VanBart and Melina Vasileiou presented the post-exertional malaise re-analysis for the experiences of interventions review. The committee discussed.</p>

4. Any other business
None.

Date of next meeting: 23/04/21