

Epilepsies in children, young people and adults

Committee meeting 15

Date: 09/12/2020

Location: Virtual Meeting: Zoom Platform

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:		
Stephen Ward (Chair)		Present for items 1 – 7
Arjune Sen (Topic adviser)		Present for items 1 – 7
Gabriella Rands		Present for items 1 – 7
Janine Winterbottom		Present for items 1 – 7
Jon Mark Dickson		Present for items 1 – 7
Phillip Smith		Present for items 1 – 7
Sally Gomersall		Present for items 1 – 7
Trudy Thomas		Present for items 1-3, part of 4 and 5-7
Archana Desurkar		Present for items 1 – 7
Christina Petropoulos		Present for items 1 – 7
Sallie Baxendale		Present for items 1 – 7
Cooptees and other invited guests		
Asley Liew	Cooptee – Consultant Paediatric Neuropsychiatrist	Present for items 1 – 7
Colin Reilly	Cooptee – Paediatric educational psychologist	Present for items 1 – 7
Rosa Michaelis	Cochrane reviewing lead	Present for items 1 – 7
Venus Tang	Cochrane reviewing team	Present for items 1 – 7
Markus Reuber	Cochrane reviewing team	Present for items 1 – 7
In attendance:		
Gill Ritchie	Guideline lead	Present for items 1 – 7
Mark Perry	Senior research fellow	Present for items 1 – 7
Qudsia Malik	Senior Research Fellow	Present for items 1 – 4
Alexandra Bonnon	Health Economist	Present for items 1 – 7
Ian Mather	NICE, Business Analyst	Present for items 1 – 7
Caroline Keir	NICE Guideline Commissioning Manager	Present for items 1 – 7
Tamara Diaz	Project manager	Present for items 1 – 7
Apologies:		
Lauren Anderson, Lisa O'Brien, Rohit Shankar, Angela Cooper		

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed attendees and meeting observer, Ian Mather to meeting 15 of the Epilepsies in children, young people and adults Guideline Committee. The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received from Lauren Anderson, Lisa O'Brien, Rohit Shankar and Angela Cooper. Attendees are listed on the first page of these minutes.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting, which included:

- Presenting the Cochrane evidence review on psychological therapies.
- Revising the summary of committee discussion on the monitoring evidence review
- Presenting the modelling methods for the guideline to the committee
- Revising the summary of committee discussion on referral for surgery
- Revising the summary of committee discussion on information and support

2. Declarations of interest: committee declarations

The Chair confirmed the matters under discussion, for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest, and asked attending Committee members to verbally declare any interests that may have arisen since the last meeting and these are listed below:

Name	Job title, organisation	Declarations of Interest, when declared (Meeting/Recruitment)	Type of interest	Decision taken
Janine Winterbottom	Epilepsy nurse specialist	Update to existing declaration: Has submitted Cochrane Protocol on preconception counselling for women with epilepsy (mixed methods review). To be published on 11/12/2020 in the Cochrane Library.	Non-financial Direct	Declare and participate
Archana Desurka	Paediatric Neurologist	I was asked by the BPEG (British paediatric epilepsy group, a sub chapter of BPNA); to contribute to the panel revising status epileptics Guidelines in children.	Non-financial Direct	As this could potentially conflict with the work of this committee it was agreed work for the BPEG would be declined and would withdraw from the work of this group.
Sallie Baxendale	Clinical Psychologist/ Neuropsychologist	Private Practice: relevant to Surgical interventions. Approximately 3	Financial Direct	Private practice mirrors NHS work. Declare and participate

		private patients per year out of 40-50 surgical patients seen per annum. Same services offered to them as is offered on NHS.		
		Elected to Board of the international neuropsychological Society in November 2020. Position starts in February 2021. Focussed on building up international services in resource poor countries.	Non-financial direct	Declare and participate.
		Won a cash prize from the charity ILAE UK for 'best presentation' delivered at meeting.	Financial. Direct	Declare and participate
Arjune Sen	Topic Advisor	Delivered a Eisai-organised educational webinar talk on Cognitive difficulties in older people with epilepsies. Dec 2020	Non-financial Direct	Specific. Declare and participate

The Chair and a senior member of the Developer's team noted that the above interests, declared during the meeting, and declarations made in previous meetings did not prevent attendees from fully participating in the day's meeting.

3. Draft Minutes:

The minutes of the last meeting were approved by the committee, subject to minor changes to the list of attendees and items that they participated in during the meeting.

4. Evidence review: Cochrane: psychological treatments for epilepsy

The Cochrane review team presented the clinical evidence review on psychological treatments for people with epilepsy. AB presented the potentially includable health economic evidence for this subject, but the committee decided the study was not of sufficient methodological quality to include. The committee's discussion of the evidence followed the presentation and the committee drafted recommendations. The summarised discussion will be circulated for the committee's further consideration at a later meeting.

5. Health economics: Modelling methods presentation

AB delivered a presentation on modelling methods, for the committee's information.

6. Summary of committee discussion: Monitoring

The draft recommendations and summary of the committee's discussions on the monitoring evidence review presented at a previous meeting was discussed by the committee and edits made during the meeting.

Due to time constraints the committee was unable to complete revision of the information and support and referral for surgery summary evidence discussions. These items will be revisited at a later meeting.

7. Any other business

There being no further business the meeting ended at 1530.

Date of next meeting:	26 January 2021
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Location of next meeting:	Virtual Meeting: Zoom Platform
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