

Multiple Sclerosis Committee meeting 4

Date: 26/11/2020

Location: Video-conference

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:		
Paul Cooper (Chair)		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Olga Ciccarelli (Topic adviser)		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Lloyd Bradley		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Robert Brenner		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sonia Devereux		(Present for notes 1 – 3c)
Aleks De Gromoboy		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sue Edwards		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Jenny Freeman		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Hayley Hall		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sushmita Mohapatra		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Aoife Shields		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Yvonne Pettigrew		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Amanda Mobley (co-opted member)		(Present for notes 1 – 3c)

In attendance:		
Catrina Charlton	Guideline Commissioning Manager, NICE	(Present for notes 3c – 4)
Edgar Masanga	Resource Impact Lead, NICE	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Kate Ashmore	Project Manager, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Emma Clegg	Information Specialist, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Nicole Downes	Research Fellow, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Saoussen Ftouh	Senior Research Fellow, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sophia Kemmis Betty	Senior Health	(Present for notes 1 – 4)

	Economist, NGC	
Sharon Swain	Guideline Lead, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)

Apologies:	
Daisy Cam	Multiple Sclerosis Clinical Nurse Specialist, Sheffield NHS Foundation Trust
Jason Wigham	Multiple Sclerosis Specialist Nurse, Country Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the fourth meeting on Multiple Sclerosis.

The Chair informed the Committee that apologies had been received. These are noted above.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

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

- Management of memory and cognitive problems
- Non-pharmacological management of fatigue
- Information, education and support for patients
- Management of ataxia and tremor

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests.

Name	Job title, organisation	Declarations of Interest	Type of interest	Decision taken
Robert Brenner	Consultant Neurologist, Royal Free Hospital	Chair of Round table meeting to discuss therapies for auto-immune conditions during Covid.	Direct – financial	No action other than the process of open declaration.

The Chair and 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, questions and discussion

- a) The committee discussed the draft protocol for management of memory and cognitive problems.
- b) The committee discussed the draft protocol for non-pharmacological management of fatigue.
- c) The committee discussed the draft protocol for information, education and support for patients.
- d) The committee discussed the draft protocol for management of ataxia and tremor.
- e) Sophie Kemmis Betty gave an update on health economics.

4. Any other business

The committee discussed the existing recommendations on non-pharmacological management of mobility, which are out of scope for this guideline update.

Date of next meeting: 09/02/21

Location of next meeting: Video-conference