

Multiple Sclerosis Committee meeting 5

Date: 09/02/2021

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)
Heather Angus-Leppan		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Lloyd Bradley		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Robert Brenner		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Daisy Cam		(Present for notes 1 – 4)
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)
Jason Wigham		(Present for notes 1 – 4)

In attendance:		
Catrina Charlton	Guideline Commissioning Manager, NICE	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Kate Ashmore	Project Manager, 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 Economist, NGC	(Present for notes 3c – 4)
Claire Sloan	Health Economist, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)
Sharon Swain	Guideline Lead, NGC	(Present for notes 1 – 4)

Apologies:

Emma Clegg

Information Specialist, NGC

Sonia Devereux

General Practitioner, Fife

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

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

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

The Chair introduced Heather Angus-Leppan, a new guideline committee member.

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:

- Diagnosis of multiple sclerosis
- Pharmacological management of mobility in multiple sclerosis

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests. There were no new interests to be declared. The Chair and a senior member of the Developer's team noted that interests declared previously did not prevent the attendees from fully participating in the meeting.

3. Presentations, questions and discussion

- a) Olga Ciccarelli gave a presentation on the diagnosis of multiple sclerosis.
- b) The committee discussed the draft protocol for diagnosis of multiple sclerosis.
- c) Saoussen Ftouh gave a presentation on the methods of reviewing clinical evidence.
- d) Nicole Downes presented the clinical evidence and Claire Sloan presented the health economic evidence for the pharmacological treatment of mobility in multiple sclerosis. The committee discussed.

4. Any other business

None.

Date of next meeting: 18/03/21

Location of next meeting: Video-conference