

Head Injury update Committee meeting 2

Date: 28/04/2021

Location: Virtual meeting

Minutes: Confirmed

Committee members present:	
Caroline Balson [CB]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Ian Bernstein [IB] – Chair	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Adel Helmy [AH]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Fiona Lecky [FL] – Topic adviser	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Mark Lyttle [ML]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Virginia Newcombe [VN]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Curtis Offiah [CO]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Patrick O’Halloran [PO]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
James Piercy [JP]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Gillian Richards [GR]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Matthew Wiles [MW]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Colin Williamson [CW]	(Present for notes 1 – 7)

Co-opted members present:	
Nicholas Brown	Advanced Paramedic Practitioner in Critical Care, London Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Ibrahim Jalloh	Consultant Neurosurgeon, Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Cambridge
Peta Sharples	Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, Bristol Royal Hospital for Children

In attendance:		
Rupert Franklin [RF]	NICE Guideline Commissioning Manager	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Emma Clegg [EC]	Information specialist	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Tamara Diaz [TD]	Project Manager	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Ben Mayer [BM]	Senior Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
Sharon Swain [SS]	Guideline Lead	(Present for notes 1 – 7)

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David Wonderling [DW]	Head of Health Economics	(Present for notes 1 – 7)
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Apologies:

Emily Feilding [EF]	Consultant Geriatrician, Salford Royal Hospital
Giulia Zuodar [GZ]	Project manager

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the second meeting on Head Injury (update). Apologies were announced and are noted above.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting, which included the prioritisation of topics for economic modelling and the following protocols:

- Tranexamic acid
- Transfer to a specialist centre
- Direct access to imaging protocol
- Indications for selecting people for CT or MRI head scans

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 tranexamic acid, transfer to a specialist centre, direct access to imaging, indications for selecting people for CT or MRI head scans.

The following declarations were received:

Name	Job title, organisation	Declarations of Interest, date declared	Type of interest	Decision taken
Ian Bernstein	Chair	Delivered a lecture at the Royal College of General Practitioners on Low Back Pain and Sciatica.	Non-financial, professional and personal - direct	Non-specific. Declare and participate.
Ibrahim Jalloh	Consultant Neurosurgeon	Directorship of IBJ Consulting Limited which provides	Financial - direct	Non-specific. Declare and participate.

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		medicolegal expert reports including reports for the family courts investigating brain injuries in children.		
Curtis Offiah		Volume 2, Chapter 78: Imaging in Neurotrauma and Head and Neck Trauma Authors: Dr Curtis Offiah and Dr Mervyn Chong Editors: Bharat Aggarwal Name of the book: Textbook of Radiology and Imaging. 8th Edition. Volume 1. Publisher: India, Elsevier. Year: 2022.	Non-financial, professional and personal - direct	Non-Specific. Declare and participate.
Curtis Offiah		Presented evidence on a murder trial as an expert witness.	Financial - direct	Non-Specific. Declare and participate.
Virginia Newcombe		Co-author of Neuroanatomical Substrates and Symptoms Associated With Magnetic Resonance Imaging of Patients With Mild Traumatic Brain Injury, Sophie Richter, MD; Stefan Winzeck, MSc; Evgenios N. Kornaropoulos, PhD; Tilak Das,	Non-Financial, professional and personal - direct	Non-Specific. Declare and participate.

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		<p>MD, PhD; Thijs Vande Vyvere, PhD;</p> <p>Jan Verheyden, MSc; Guy B. Williams, PhD;</p> <p>Marta M. Correia, PhD;</p> <p>David K. Menon, MD, PhD;</p> <p>Virginia F. J. Newcombe, MD, PhD;</p> <p>for the Collaborative European NeuroTrauma Effectiveness Research in Traumatic Brain Injury Magnetic Resonance Imaging (CENTER-TBI MRI) Substudy Participants and Investigators</p>		
Mark Lyttle		<p>Co-investigator, APHIRST study, validating clinical decision rules for selection of paediatric patients with head injury for CT scan</p>	<p>Non-Financial, professional and personal - direct</p>	<p>Specific Partial exclusion from recommendations. Indications for imaging included in the scope of the guideline. The committee member will remain in the room for presentation of the evidence and may be asked to respond to specific questions from the committee regarding this topic but will not take part in drafting the recommendations.</p>

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Mark Lyttle	GC member	Study on use on tranexamic acid in children utilising data from the TARN database to establish practice patterns in TXA use over the last 10 years or so in children (all major trauma, not specific to head trauma - but would include that cohort)	Non-Financial, professional and personal - direct	Specific. No conflict as the population is major trauma/extracranial injury, which has different consequences to intracranial injury
3. Declarations of interest				
The Chair and a senior member of the Developer's team noted that the interests previously declared did not prevent the attendees from fully participating in the meeting.				
4. Minutes of the previous meeting				
The committee agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting were an accurate record of the meeting; however, this item will be tabled at an upcoming meeting as the list of declared conflicts will be finalised at a later date.				
5. Protocol discussions				
<p>BM presented draft review protocols for the following areas for the Committee's discussion and agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tranexamic acid • Transfer to a specialist centre • Direct access to imaging protocol <p>BM started the presentation of the draft review protocol for the following topic and discussions will continue at a future meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indications for selecting people for CT or MRI head scans 				
6. Health Economics				
DW delivered a presentation on prioritising topics for modelling.				

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7. Any other business

The committee was asked to contact Tamara Diaz, at tamara.diaz@rcp.ac.uk with any questions related to accessing the guideline's intranet site.
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