

Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management

Committee Meeting 3

Date: 28th October 2020

Location: Via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Mark Thomas (Chair)	Present for items 1 – 8
David Turner (Topic Advisor)	Present for items 1 – 8
Ashifa Trivedi	Present for items 1 – 8
Simon Nadel	Present for items 1 – 8
Andrew Hitchings	Present for items 1 – 8
Amit Arora	Present for items 1 – 8
Richard Tubman	Present for items 1 – 8
Linda Glennie	Present for items 1 – 8
Tim Cook	Present for items 1 – 8
Robert Heyderman	Present for items 1 – 8
Michael Griffiths	Present for items 1 – 8
Imran Jawaid	Present for items 1 – 8

In attendance:		
Josh South	NGA Project Manager	Present for items 1 – 8
Lisa Boardman	NGA Guideline Lead	Present for items 1 – 8
Laura O'Shea	NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Kelly Williams	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Zipporah Ihezor-Ejiofor	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Paul Jacklin	NGA Senior Health Economist	Present for items 1 – 8
Elise Hasler	NGA Information Scientist	Present for items 1 – 8
Stephen Murphy	NGA Clinical Advisor	Present for items 1 – 8

Apologies:	
Nathan Griffiths	Committee member
Debarata Bhattacharya	Committee member
Saul Faust	Committee member

Paul Heath	Committee member
Catrina Charlton	NICE Commissioning Manager

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 3rd guideline committee meeting on Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management. The Chair thanked the committee for joining the meeting virtually. The Chair welcomed Imran Jawaid and Richard Tubman to their first committee meetings, and acknowledged apologies received as noted above.

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 meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management. The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests. No new interests were declared.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

3. Health economic priorities

Paul Jacklin, NGA Senior Health Economist, outlined the proposed priority areas for health economic work on the guideline.

4. Remaining amends on review questions

Lisa Boardman, NGA Guideline Lead, outlined the outstanding questions left on the final review questions list.

5. RQs 2.1 & 2.2 PICOs

2.1 - What is the accuracy and effectiveness of blood and urine investigations in diagnosing suspected bacterial meningitis?

2.2 - What is the accuracy and effectiveness of blood and urine investigations in diagnosing suspected meningococcal disease?

Kelly Williams, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the PICOs for review questions 2.1 & 2.2. The committee discussed the PICOs and amended these where required.

6. Topic group allocation

Lisa Boardman, NGA Guideline Lead, outlined the proposed topic group allocations across the review questions covered in the guideline.

7. RQ 4.2 PICO

4.2 - What is the effectiveness of osmotic agents in bacterial meningitis?

Zipporah Iheozor-Ejiofor, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the PICO for review question 4.2. The committee discussed the PICO and amended this where required.

8. AOB

There was no further business to discuss. The Chair closed the meeting at 16:30pm.

Date of next meeting: 25th November 2020

Location of next meeting: Via Zoom