

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

Committee Meeting 9

Date: 19th May 2021

Location: Via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Mark Thomas (Chair)	Present for items 1 – 6
David Turner (Topic Advisor)	Present for items 1 – 6
Andrew Hitchings	Present for items 1 – 6
Ashifa Trivedi	Present for items 1 – 6
Amit Arora	Present for items 1 – 6
Linda Glennie	Present for items 3 – 6
Nathan Griffiths	Present for items 1 – 6
Robert Heyderman	Present for items 1 – 6
Imran Jawaid	Present for items 1 – 6
Michael Griffiths	Present for items 1 – 6
Ian Maconochie	Present for items 1 – 4
Paul Heath	Present for items 1 – 3
Richard Tubman	Present for items 1 – 3

In attendance:		
Lisa Boardman	NGA Guideline Lead	Present for items 1 – 6
Josh South	NGA Project Manager	Present for items 1 – 6
Laura O’Shea	NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 6
Kelly Williams	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 6
Armina Paule	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 6
Paul Jacklin	NGA Senior Health Economist	Present for items 1 – 6
Elise Hasler	NGA Information Scientist	Present for items 3 – 6
Stephen Murphy	NGA Clinical Advisor	Present for items 1 – 6
Catrina Charlton	NICE Commissioning Manager	Present for items 1 – 6

Apologies:	
Simon Nadel	Committee member

Saul Faust	Committee member
Tim Cook	Committee member

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 9th guideline committee meeting on Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management. The Chair thanked the committee for joining the meeting virtually.

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 new interests.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

3. Estimated development time for the guideline and neonate assumptions following publication of NICE Neonatal infection guideline

Laura O’Shea, NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer, outlined the agreed development time granted by NICE for the guideline, and the implications this had for the work planned by the committee. The committee also discussed the assumptions that should be made for this guideline following the publication of the NICE Neonatal infection guideline.

4. RQ 3.1 evidence report

Kelly Williams, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the evidence report for review question 3.1.

3.1 - What is the optimal timing of antibiotic administration for people with suspected bacterial meningitis?

The committee discussed the evidence and drafted some recommendations.

5. RQ 4.1 PICO

4.1 - What is the effectiveness of fluid restriction in bacterial meningitis?

Laura O’Shea, NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer, presented the PICO for review question 4.1

6. AOB

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

Date of next meeting: 22nd June 2021

Location of next meeting: Via Zoom