

Date and Time: 24th October 2013 10:00 – 16:00

Minutes: Confirmed

Guideline Development Group Meeting Preterm labour and birth

Place: Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
London

Present:

Jane Norman (JN) (Chair)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Judi Barratt (JB)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Paul Eunson (PE)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Jane Hawdon (JH)	(Present for notes 2 – 9)
Philip Owen (PO)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Farrah Pradhan (FP)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Marianne Rowntree (MR)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Meekai To (MT)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Jane Plumb (JP)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Martin Ward-Platt (MWP)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)
Louise Weaver-Lowe (LW-L)	(Present for notes 1 – 9)

In attendance:

NCC-WCH staff: Maryam Gholitabar (MG) Juliet Kenny (JK) Roz Ullman (RU)		(Present for notes 1 – 9) (Present for notes 1 – 9) (Present for notes 1 – 9)
NICE attendees: None		

Observers:

Cristina Visintin (CV) Shona Burman-Roy (SBR)		(Present for notes 1 – 4) (Present for notes 4 – 5)
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Notes

- JN welcomed the group to the fourth meeting of this guideline development group (GDG). The minutes of the last meeting were discussed and one error was noted. JN requested that the corrected minutes were circulated to the group by email for agreement following the meeting. Apologies were received from Zosia Beckles, Paul Jacklin, David James and Sarah Dunsdon.
- JN asked all the GDG members and other attendees to declare any new interests that they had accrued since GDG 1 and reiterate any interests declared previously that were relevant to the meeting agenda.

JN

Personal pecuniary:

Received travel expenses from 88° Congresso Nazionale / SIGO to attend a meeting Italy. At the meeting JN spoke on the topic of preventing spontaneous preterm delivery.

Personal non-pecuniary:

Co-author of journal article entitled ‘Strategies for prevention of preterm birth’ that provides overview of interventions to prevent preterm birth.

MT

Personal non-pecuniary:

Peer reviewed RCOG patient information leaflet on cervical cerclage.

No other declarations of interest were received from the GDG members or the other attendees. It was agreed that no interests declared at the meeting or previously warranted exclusion of any GDG members from discussions of evidence or formulation of recommendations at the meeting.

Declarations are kept on record at the NCC-WCH and will be published in the full guideline.

3. MG presented the draft review for the question on antenatal prophylactic antibiotics for women with diagnosed preterm pre-labour rupture of membranes (the protocol, the list of excluded studies, the evidence tables, the evidence profiles and the evidence summary). The group had an opportunity discuss the results and ask questions.
4. JN led the group through the process of interpreting the evidence and drafting recommendations. Notes were made live on screen.
5. RU presented the draft review for the question on identifying infection in women with preterm pre-labour rupture of membranes (the protocol, the list of excluded studies, the evidence tables, the evidence profiles and the evidence summary). The group had an opportunity discuss the results and ask questions.
6. JN led the group through the process of interpreting the evidence and drafting recommendations. Notes were made live on screen.
7. RU presented the draft protocol for the question on caesarean section compared with vaginal birth for women in suspected or diagnosed preterm labour. The GDG discussed provided feedback and chose their seven key outcomes. Notes were made live on screen.
8. Due to time constraints it was agreed that the draft protocol for the question on what additional information and support should be given to women and their partners where the woman is at risk of preterm labour, or is suspected or diagnosed to be in preterm labour, or has a planned preterm birth would be finalised by email after the meeting.
9. RU gave an update on the approach for review of drugs for women in preterm labour (progesterone and tocolytics) explaining that NICE had agreed to the inclusion of a published network meta-analysis (NMA) in the review. The group provided feedback on the proposed approach and highlighted additional outcomes that needed to be included in the published NMA to ensure that it reflected the previously agreed review protocol.

Date, time and venue of the next meeting

Monday 20th January 2014, 10:00 – 16:00 at the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, London