

Date and time: Monday 16 June 2014, 1000-1600

Minutes: Confirmed

Guideline Development Group Meeting **Diagnosis and monitoring of asthma**
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Place: **Boardroom, NCGC, 180 Great Portland Street, London W1W 5QZ**

Present: John Alexander, Consultant in Paediatrics & Paediatric Intensive Care
Tara Burn, Patient member
Erol Gaillard, Senior Lecturer & Honorary Consultant in Paediatric
Respiratory Medicine
Ren Gilmartin, Respiratory Nurse Specialist
Val Hudson, Patient member
Melanie McFeeters, Consultant Nurse in Children’s Respiratory
Diseases
Andrew Menzies-Gow (Chair), Consultant in Respiratory Medicine
Tahmina Siddiqui, General Practitioner partner
Michael Thomas, Professor of Primary Care Research & Principal in
General Practice (present for item 3 onwards)
Chris Cates, Senior Clinical Research Fellow, Cochrane Airways
Group (present for item 4 only)
Kayleigh Kew, Research Assistant, Cochrane Airways Group (present
for item 4 only)
Emily Davies, Senior Research Fellow, NCGC
Alex Haines, Health Economist, NCGC
Martin Harker, Senior Health Economist, NCGC
Bernard Higgins, Clinical Director, NCGC
Emma Madden, Research Fellow, NCGC
Jill Parnham, Operations Director, NCGC (not present for items 7-8)
Amelia Unsworth, Project Manager, NCGC (notes)
Giulia Zuodar, Document Editor/Process Assistant, NCGC (present
for item 9 onwards)

Apologies: Angela Key, Chief Respiratory Physiologist
Matthew Masoli, Consultant Respiratory Physician
Paul Miller, Senior Information Scientist, NCGC
Georgina Russell, RCP Clinical Fellow (Specialist Trainee Adviser)

In attendance:

NICE Staff:	Caroline Keir, Guidelines Commissioning Manager (present for item 5 onwards)	
NICE attendee 1		

Observers:

James Mahon, Intern, NCGC		
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Notes

1. **Welcome and declarations of interest**

The Chair welcomed the group to the tenth meeting of this GDG. Apologies were received from AK and MM.

The Chair reviewed and requested updates to the declarations of interest register. No new declarations of interest were received and therefore no further action was required.

2. **GDG9 minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.

3. **Review linking evidence to recommendations**

The GDG reviewed the linking evidence to recommendations for history of atopic disorders, signs & symptoms, monitoring questionnaires and monitoring adherence.

4. **Evidence review: telehealthcare with healthcare professional involvement**

The GDG reviewed the evidence on the clinical and cost effectiveness of telehealthcare with healthcare professional involvement for monitoring asthma control.

5. **Evidence review: telehealthcare with no healthcare professional involvement**

The GDG reviewed the evidence on the clinical and cost effectiveness of telehealthcare without healthcare professional involvement for monitoring asthma control.

6. **Evidence review: inhaler technique**

The GDG reviewed the clinical and cost effectiveness evidence of monitoring inhaler technique.

7. **Evidence review: blood eosinophils for monitoring**

The GDG reviewed the clinical and cost effectiveness evidence of blood eosinophils for monitoring asthma control.

8. **Evidence review: challenge tests for monitoring**

The GDG reviewed the clinical and cost effectiveness evidence of challenge tests for monitoring asthma control.

9. **HE model: results**

The GDG was given a presentation on the results of the health economic model for asthma diagnosis.

10. **Any other business**

None.

Date, time and venue of the next meeting

Tuesday 22 July 2014, 1000-1600 at NCGC, 180 Great Portland Street, London W1W 5QZ