

Infection Prevention and Control of Healthcare Associated Infections in

13th Guideline Development Group (GDG) Meeting

Primary and Community Care

National Clinical Guideline Centre for Acute and Chronic Conditions (NCGC)

Date and Time: 4th October 2011, 10.30 – 16.00

Place: National Clinical Guideline Centre, 5th Floor, 180 Great Portland Street

GDG Present:

Carol Pellowe (Chair) (CP)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Elizabeth Gibbs (EG)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Ellie Hayter (EH)	(Present for agenda items 4- 7)
Zara Head (ZH)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Eugenia Lee (EL)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Michael Nevill (MN)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Brian Pullen (BP)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Julian Spinks (JS)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Sally Stucke (SS)	(Present for agenda items 3- 7)
Graham Tanner (GT)	(Present for agenda items 1- 6)
Sue Wright (SW)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)

NCGC Present:

Sarah Bermingham (SB)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Caroline Blaine (CB)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Lee-Yee Chong (LYC)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Sue Latchem (SL)	(Present for agenda items 3- 7)
Smita Padhi (SP)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)
Sarah Riley (SR)	(Present for agenda items 1- 7)

In attendance:

NICE Staff: Sarah Dunsdon (SD) (Present for agenda items 1- 7)

Agenda Item:

1. Introductions and Apologies:

CP welcomed the group to the thirteenth GDG meeting. The group acknowledged apologies from the editor, Lyn Knott.

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed by the group and accepted to be an accurate record.

Declarations of Interest: CP asked for each GDG member to declare their interests verbally and asked them to complete their forms. Each attending GDG member declared his/her interests in front of all those present.

Agenda Item:

CP declared personal pecuniary interests since the last meeting as being a member of the advisory group to Vernacare (pulpable products and maceration) and an advisor to Pfizer's e learning antibiotic prescribing module.

2. Overview of comments received:

SR highlighted the key themes raised during stakeholder consultation, including many positive comments about the guideline.

3. Responses to stakeholder comments: Standard principles

General comments were raised for discussion by SR that included surveillance of infections, wheelchair users, training and comments relating to various issues outside the scope of this partial update of the guideline.

CB raised comments on hand hygiene including when to wash hands, hand washing technique, wearing rings and wrist watches and handwashing after the removal of gloves. Necessary changes to recommendations were agreed by the group.

SR outlined the key comments received regarding sharps, including recapping needles and queries regarding EU legislation. SR discussed comments relating to personal protective equipment (such as glove material, latex sensitivity and glove powder). Necessary changes to recommendations were agreed by the group.

4. Responses to stakeholder comments continued: Long term urinary catheters

SB discussed intermittent catheters and several issues around their use including the single use symbol, patient preference, comfort, independence, catheterisation technique and hygiene, reflux, high pressure bladders or abnormal urinary tracts and relative efficacy of catheters. Comments regarding instillations and washouts were also discussed. Necessary changes to recommendations were agreed by the group.

5. Responses to stakeholder comments continued: Vascular access devices and PEGs

LYC discussed the key matters arising from the VAD comments. These included the percentage of chlorhexidine used for cleaning skin and ports and hubs. The GDG also discussed comments on types of dressings. Necessary changes to recommendations were agreed by the group.

CB discussed the comments received for the enteral feeding chapter and the associated recommendation changes.

6. The next steps:

SR highlighted the key steps prior to the second submission of the guideline.

7. Any Other Business and Close of meeting:

SL informed the group that this guideline has been selected by NICE as part of a costings pilot identifying the resource impact of recommendations.

CP thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

Date of the next meeting:

14th GDG – Tuesday 20th December 2011, 10.30 – 16.00, at National Clinical Guideline Centre, 5th Floor, 180 Great Portland Street