NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

Centre for Health Technology Evaluation

# Technology Appraisal Committee D meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Date:** Wednesday 6 March 2024

**Location:** Via Zoom

## Attendees

Committee members present

1. Dr Megan John (Chair) Present for all items
2. Dr Raju Reddy (Vice-chair, Chair of this meeting) Present for all items
3. Martin Bradley Present for all items
4. Dr Matthew Bradley Present for all items
5. Paul Caulfield Present for all items
6. Elliott Dash Present for all items
7. Dr Andrew Hitchings Present for all items
8. Dr Robert Hodgson Present for all items
9. Dr Ivan Koychev Present for all items
10. Dr Guy Makin Present for all items
11. Dr Philip Mallender Present for all items
12. Professor David Meads Present for all items
13. Giles Monnickendam Present for all items
14. Dr Nathan Moore Present for all items
15. Dr Paula Parvulescu Present for all items
16. Dr Rebecca Payne Present for all items
17. Carole Pitkeathley Present for all items
18. Dr Ben Searle Present for all items
19. Will Sullivan Present for all items

NICE staff (key players) present

Linda Landells, Associate Director Present for all items

Kate Moore, Project Manager Present for all items

Lizzie Walker, Heath Technology Assessment Adviser Present for all items

Dilan Savani, Heath Technology Assessment Analyst Present for all items

External assessment group representatives present

Willem Witlox, Kleijnen Systematic Reviews Items 1.1 to 4.1.3

Robert Wolff, Kleijnen Systematic Reviews Items 1.1 to 4.1.3

Clinical & Patient experts present

Professor Helen Cross, Clinical Expert, Director of the UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health – clinical expert, nominated by UCB Pharma

Items 1.1 to 4.1.3

Lisa Suchet, Patient Expert, nominated by the Tuberous Sclerosis Association

Items 1.1 to 4.1.3

Dr Rhys Thomas, Clinical Expert, Clinical Senior Lecturer, Honorary Consultant in Epilepsy – clinical expert nominated by UCB Pharma Items 1.1 to 4.1.3

*Please note that alongside the attendees listed in this document, there were additional NICE Staff present in this meeting. These attendees were not involved in the decision making or discussions.*

## Minutes

### Introduction to the meeting

* 1. The Chair, Dr Raju Reddy, welcomed members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.
  2. The Chair noted apologies from Professor Sofia Dias, Andrew Fox, Dr Bernard Khoo, Professor David Meads and Dr Zenas Yiu.

### News and announcements

* 1. The Chair acknowledged that it was Elliot Dash and Dr Rebeccah Payne’s last committee meeting and thanked them for their services to the committee.

### Minutes from the last meeting

* 1. The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 8 February 2024.

### Appraisal of fenfluramine hydrochloride for treating Lennox-Gastaut seizures in people aged 2 and over [ID1651]

* 1. Part 1 – Open session
     1. The Chair welcomed the invited experts, external assessment group representatives, members of the public and company representatives from UCB Pharma.
     2. The Chair asked all committee members and experts, external assessment group representatives and NICE staff present to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered. Declarations for this appraisal can be found on the Topic Register of Interest (TROI) on the topic webpage, [here](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10653).
     3. The Chair led a discussion of the consultation comments presented to the committee. This information was presented to the committee by the Chair.
  2. Part 2 – Closed session (company representatives, patient and clinical experts, external assessment group representatives, and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting)
     1. The committee then agreed on the content of the Draft Guidance (DG) or Final Draft Guidance (FDG). The committee decision was reached by consensus.
     2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Draft Guidance (DG) or Final Draft Guidance (FDG) in line with their decisions.
* Further updates will be available on the topic webpage in due course: <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10653>

### Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Technology Appraisal Committee D will be held on Thursday 4 April 2024 and will start promptly at 09:00am.