

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

Senior Management Team

Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2017

Present

Andrew Dillon	Chief Executive
Mark Baker	Director – Centre for Guidelines
Ben Bennett	Director – Business Planning and Resources
Jane Gizbert	Director – Communications
Alexia Tonnel	Director – Evidence Resources

In attendance

David Coombs	Associate Director – Corporate Office (minutes)
Paul Chrisp	Programme Director and Deputy Director – Health and Social Care
Nick Crabb	Programme Director – Centre for Health Technology Evaluation

Apologies (item 1)

1. Apologies were received from Gill Leng and Carole Longson who were represented by Paul Chrisp and Nick Crabb respectively.

Freedom of Information and publication scheme (item 2)

2. The final minutes will be made available on the NICE website subject to the redaction of any exempt material.

Notes of the previous meeting (item 3)

3. The minutes of the meeting held on 29 August 2017 were approved.

Matters arising (item 4)

4. All actions from the meeting held on 29 August were noted as complete or in hand.
5. Andrew Dillon confirmed that he had discussed the proposed consultation on changes to the technology appraisal programme with the Chief Executive of the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI). The draft consultation document will be shared with the ABPI next week, prior to review and approval at the public Board meeting on 20 September.

Life sciences industrial strategy (item 5)

6. Andrew Dillon introduced a discussion on the recently published life sciences industrial strategy, noting the references to NICE are positive and consistent with proposed changes to NICE's methods and processes. The strategy is a report to the Government from the life sciences sector, to which the Government will formally respond.
7. SMT discussed the implications of the strategy's recommendations for NICE, including the references to the funding model for technology evaluations, resource impact assessments, and data. The potential to align the proposals for the Manchester 'data lab' with the recommendations in the industrial strategy was noted.

8. Andrew Dillon asked that the NICE Implementation Collaborative (NIC) is reviewed in the context of the strategy and the Accelerated Access Partnership. This review should consider whether the NIC should continue, and if so, how to increase its profile.

ACTION: PC

9. The strategy will be circulated to the Board for discussion at the morning session of the Board meeting on 20 September. Andrew Dillon will provide a short presentation to introduce this discussion.

ACTION: AD

Weekly staff SMT updates (item 6)

10. SMT agreed the staff updates.

ACTION: DC

Any other business (item 7)

11. Ben Bennett stated that due to annual leave commitments, a progress update on the 2020 programme was not produced for this meeting. There were no concerns to highlight to SMT, and a full update will be provided to the SMT strategy meeting in November.