

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

Medical technologies advisory committee (MTAC)

Minutes of the 82nd meeting on Friday 16th November 2018

Level1A City Tower, Piccadilly Plaza, Manchester M1 4BT

Minutes:	Confirmed
Committee members present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr Peter Groves (Chair)Ms Susan BennettMr Mike BurrowsProfessor Daniel ClarkProfessor Fiona DenisonMr Steve FearnDr Teik GohProfessor Shaheen HamdyMr Chris HudsonDr Cynthia IglesiasDr Paul KnoxMs Emily LamDr Avril McCarthyMrs Karen McCutcheonMr Abdullah PandorDr David PartridgeDr Jai PatelProfessor Carl RoobottomMr Andrew ThorpeProfessor Allan WailooMr Alun Williams
Committee member apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Professor Mohammad IlyasMr John Wilkinson
Medical technologies evaluation programme staff present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Mark Campbell, Acting Programme DirectorBernice Dillon, Technical AdviserLizzy Latimer, Technical AdviserChristopher Pomfrett, Technical AdviserLiesl Millar, Technical AnalystYing-Ying Wang, Technical AnalystSharon Wright, Project ManagerJae Long, Project ManagerIzabela Syrek, Administrator

External assessment centre (EAC) representatives present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Anastasia Chalkidou, Senior Health Technology Assessor, KiTEC Dr Mark Pennington, Senior Health Economist, KiTEC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present for items 1-8, 10-14 Present for items 1-8, 10-14
Expert advisers present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Sudheer Karlakki, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Ms Louise Mitchell, Clinical Lead Podiatrist, Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust Ms Jo-Anne Beresford, Wounds Clinical Nurse Specialist, Leeds Community Healthcare, Wounds Prevention and Management Service Dr Leanne Atkin, Vascular Nurse Specialist / Lecturer Practitioner, The University of Huddersfield / Pinderfields General Hospital, Mid Yorks NHS Trust 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present for items 1-8 Present for items 10-14 Present for items 10-14 Present for items 10-14
Non-public present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joanne Holden, CHTE Associate Director, Commissioning Support Programme, NICE Jenniffer Prescott, CHTE Associate Director, Planning, operations and topic selection, NICE Gareth Murphy, Business Analyst (Accountant), Resource Impact Assessment Team, NICE Ian Mather, Business Analyst, Resource Impact Assessment Team, NICE Katie Wyart, Health Technology Adoption Manager, Adoption and Impact Team Tara Chernick, Health Technology Adoption Manager, Adoption and Impact Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present for all items Present for all items Present for items 1-8 Present for items 10-14 Present for items 1-8 Present for items 10-14

Introduction to the meeting

1. The chair welcomed all members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.

News and announcements

2. The chair offered news and announcements, and noted committee members who had given apologies for the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting

3. The committee agreed the minutes from the 21st September 2018 committee meeting, with one minor amendment.

MT390 PICO negative pressure wound therapy for closed surgical incision wounds – Draft guidance recommendations

Part 1 – Open session

4. The chair welcomed the invited expert, external assessment centre representatives, members of the public and company representatives from Smith & Nephew. The chair then explained the code of conduct to the members of the public observing the meeting.
5. The chair asked all committee members, experts, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.
 - Professor Fiona Denison declared a specific non-financial professional interest ahead of the meeting as she is the Chair of a Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) green-top guideline, focusing on obesity, which is due to be released shortly. Recommendations on negative pressure dressings for Caesarean section are featured in the guideline. Professor Denison also has experience of using PICO dressings within clinical practice.
 - It was agreed that her declaration would not prevent Professor Denison from participating in the part 1 open session of the meeting and that she would be asked to leave the meeting for the part 2 closed session of the discussion.
 - Dr Mike Burrows declared a specific non-financial professional interest as he is currently involved in discussions with Smith & Nephew regarding a wound care sector deal as part of the implementation of the Life Sciences Industrial Strategy.
 - It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Dr Burrows from participating in this section of the meeting.

- Professor Daniel Clark declared an indirect interest as he is a director of CHEATA, an NHS organisation that provides paid support for companies, academia and other NHS organisations seeking to adopt new technology into the NHS, including support to a client company who make sutures. This work was not in relation to other wound healing devices including negative pressure devices and focussed on surgical site infections (SSI).
 - It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Professor Clark from participating in this section of the meeting.
- Mr Sudheer Karlakki declared a direct financial interest ahead of the meeting as he has received payments for delivering lectures and presenting research findings in meetings organised/sponsored by Smith and Nephew Ltd. These lectures occur 1-2 times per year. Mr Karlakki does not receive royalties and is not employed as a regular consultant to the company.

Mr Karlakki declared also a non-financial personal interest as he is an author of published research, funded by Smith and Nephew, however the proposal for this was initiated through personal interest. Is also a co-author of a publication where the main author is a Smith and Nephew employee. This interest arose in 2013 and ceased in November 2018.

- It was agreed that his declarations would not prevent Mr Karlakki from providing expert advice to the committee.

No other interests were declared.

6. The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology being considered.
7. The topic was introduced by Dr David Partridge and Prof Carl Roobottom, with Mr Sudheer Karlakki providing expert advice.
8. The chair thanked the experts, external assessment centre representatives, members of the public and company representatives for their attendance and they left the meeting. Prof Denison also left the meeting following her earlier declaration of interest.

Part 2 – Closed session

9. The committee then proposed draft recommendations on the technology and these recommendations were reached by consensus.

Part 1 – Open session

MT380 UrgoStart for the treatment of leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers – Final guidance recommendations

10. The chair welcomed the invited experts, external assessment centre representatives, members of the public and company representatives from Urgo Limited. The chair then explained the code of conduct to the members of the public observing the meeting.
11. The chair asked all committee members, experts, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.
 - Ms Louise Mitchell declared a non-financial professional interest ahead of the meeting as she has provided support to Urgo Limited at a staff training conference, as a panel judge, in September 2017. Ms Mitchell also presented at Harrogate Wounds UK & FDUK in relation to Explorer study findings in November 2017 and attended as a member of the Diabetes Advisory Board for Urgo Limited in February 2018.
 - It was agreed that her declaration would not prevent Ms Mitchell from providing expert advice to the committee.
 - Dr Leanne Atkin declared a direct financial interest ahead of the meeting as she has received consultancy fees from wound care companies, including Urgo Limited, for educational sessions and presenting study findings. The majority of these sessions were not product-specific with the exception of a presentation at a conference on the Allevyn life product.

Dr Atkin also declared a direct non-financial professional interest as well as she is a member of the Society of Vascular Nurses council, a non-profit making organisation. Dr Atkin did not receive direct payment but expenses were covered to attend council meetings. Dr Atkin is also the Chair of the 'Legs Matters' campaign from October 2018 – which was awarded the Urgo Foundation award in November 2017 when chaired by Dr Una Adderly. Legs Matters is a non-profit making organisation and the Urgo award was non-restrictive – the funds awarded were spent during 2017/early 2018.
 - It was agreed that her declaration would not prevent Dr Atkin from providing expert advice to the committee.

No other interests were declared.

12. The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology being considered.

13. The topic was introduced by Mr Andrew Thorpe and Mr Abdullah Pandor, with Ms Louise Mitchell, Ms Jo-Anne Beresford and Dr Leanne Atkin providing expert advice.
14. The chair thanked the experts, external assessment centre representatives, members of the public and company representatives for their attendance and they left the meeting.

Part 2 – Closed session

15. The committee then proposed final recommendations on the technology and these recommendations were reached by consensus.

Date of the next meeting

16. The next meeting of the medical technologies advisory committee will be held on Friday 14 December 2018 and will start promptly at 10:00am. The meeting will be held at the NICE Manchester offices, Level 1A City Tower, Piccadilly Plaza, Manchester M1 4BT.