

**National Collaborating Centre for
Women's and Children's Health**

Confirmed 3rd Meningitis in Children Guideline Development Group (GDG) Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 3rd June 2008, at the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (10am – 4pm).

Present:	Andrew Pollard (AP)	(Chair)
	Philip Monk (PM)	Public Health Medicine
	Simon Kroll (SK)	Paediatric Infectious Diseases – Children
	Paul Heath (PH)	Paediatric Infectious Diseases - Neonates
	Caroline Haines (CH)	Hospital Children's Nurse
	Sheila McQueen (SM)	Hospital Children's Nurse
	Nelly Ninis (NN)	General Paediatrician
	Alistair Thomson (AT)	General Paediatrician
	Martin Richardson (MR)	General Paediatrician
	Simon Nadel (SN)	Paediatric Intensive Care
	Angela Cloke (AC)	Patient / Carer Representative
	Linda Glennie (LG)	Patient/Carer Representative
	Shannon Amoils (SA)	Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
	Jay Banerjee (JB)	Clinical Co-director in Child Health, NCC-WCH
	Paula Broughton-Palmer (PBP)	Senior Work Programme Co-ordinator, NCC-WCH
	Paul Jacklin (PJ)	Senior Health Economist, NCC-WCH
	Roz Ullman (RU)	Senior Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
	Danielle Worster (DW)	Information Scientist, NCC-WCH
Invited:	Caroline Keir (CK)	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) Guidelines Commissioning Manager
Apologies:	Mathew Thompson (MT)	General Practitioner
	Ian Maconochie (IM)	Paediatric Emergency Medicine

1. AP welcomed the group to the meeting. Apologies were received from MT and IM. The minutes of the 2nd GDG meeting were approved as an accurate record of the meeting with one minor correction.

There were no new interests declared by those present at the meeting. It was agreed that no interests declared at the meeting or previously warranted exclusion of any GDG members from discussions of evidence or formulation of recommendations. Declarations are kept on record at the NCC-WCH and will be published in the full guideline.

2. The group went through and discussed the evidence and draft recommendations for the clinical question relating to the use of corticosteroids in treating children with suspected/confirmed bacterial meningitis. The draft recommendations were modified where appropriate.

12:10pm – MR and DW left the meeting.

3. The group went through and discussed the evidence and draft recommendations for the clinical question relating to the use of corticosteroids in treating children with suspected/confirmed meningococcal septicaemia. The draft recommendations were modified where appropriate.

4. The group went through and discussed the evidence and draft recommendations for the clinical question relating to the type of intravenous fluid used for resuscitating children with suspected meningococcal septicaemia. The draft recommendations were modified where appropriate.

5. The group went through and discussed the evidence and draft recommendations for the clinical question relating to fluid volume restriction in children with suspected/confirmed bacterial meningitis. The draft recommendations were modified where appropriate.

6. Under any other business, the group went through and suggested modifications to the draft GDG interpretation and draft recommendations for the pre-hospital antibiotics section and the empiric antibiotics in secondary care section - which had been drafted after the second GDG meeting.

3:50pm – SN left the meeting.

The GDG discussed and agreed on topic group members for the clinical questions to be covered at the remaining GDG meetings.

AP thanked the participants for attending and closed the meeting.

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Signed:..... Date:.....
Dr Jay Banerjee, Clinical Co-director, NCC-WCH

Signed:..... Date:.....
Dr Andrew Pollard, Meningitis in Children GDG Chair