NICE: The Epilepsies Guideline
Guideline Development Group (GDG) Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: 17th September 2009
Place: National Clinical Guidelines Centre for Acute and Chronic Conditions

Present: GDG members
Chair: Dr Nick Kosky

In attendance: Professor Helen Cross
Mrs Tracey Truscott
Mrs Diane Flower
Professor John Duncan
(arrived at 12am)
Dr Margaret Jackson
Dr Greg Rogers
Mr Sean Mackey
Mrs Sally Gomersall
Dr Amanda Freeman
Mr Michael Harnor

NCC Staff: Dr. Jennifer Hill
Ms Julie Neilson
Ms Vanessa Nunes
Ms Laura Sawyer
Ms Lee-Yee Chong (pm only)

Apologies: Ms Sarah Willett
Dr Richard Appleton
# Declarations of Interest

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<td>Helen Cross</td>
<td>13.09.09- Nutricia Symposium at EFND. 16.09.09 Education talk on Ketogenic diet for Nutricia, Honoraria department.</td>
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<td>John Duncan</td>
<td>EISAI/UCB/Janssen – fees to UCL for arranging meetings and giving lectures</td>
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## TIME | TOPIC
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9.30 | Coffee available
10.00 | **Introduction, welcome and meeting objectives**
| | • The chair welcomed the GDG to the 3rd GDG meeting and gave people’s apologies.
| | • The chairman gave an overview of agenda for the day.
| | • The chairman ran through the minutes from the last meeting with the GDG. The GDG considered the minutes a truthful account of the meeting.
10.15 | **Health Economics**
| | • Ms Laura Sawyer presented to the GDG the draft health economics plan for the guideline.
11.00 | **Evidence reviews**
| | • Ms Julie Neilson presented the evidence review on the clinical and cost effectiveness of AEDs in the treatment of Primary Generalised Tonic-Clonic Seizures.
| | • Dr Nick Kosky chaired a discussion on the evidence statements and the development of draft recommendations.
13.00 | **Lunch**
13.30 | **Evidence reviews (continuation)**
| | • Ms Julie Neilson presented the evidence review on the clinical and cost effectiveness of AEDs in the treatment of Primary Generalised Tonic-Clonic Seizures.
| | • Dr Nick Kosky chaired a discussion on the evidence statements and the development of draft recommendations.
14.00 | **Drug Options by Seizure type and Epilepsy Syndrome**
| | • Ms Vanessa Nunes presented the tables from the original guideline (Appendix B), and GDG discussed updates the tables in light of the evidence reviewed.
15.15 | **Ground rules for reviewing and topics to be covered at upcoming GDG meetings**
| | • Ms Vanessa Nunes delivered a brief presentation on some of the main issues faced whilst reviewing the evidence and the protocol to be used for future evidence reviews. The topics for the next GDG meetings were also covered.
15.45 | **The chair finalised the meeting with a summary of the next meeting topics, the meeting date, and any other business**
16.00 | **Close**