

National Institute for Health & Clinical Excellence

Sickle Cell

Third Guideline Development Group (GDG) meeting

Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th December 2011
 MidCity Place | 71 High Holborn | London WC1V 6NA

GROUP MEMBERSHIP

<u>In Attendance</u>	
GDG Members	
Damien Longson (DL) (Chair)	Brigitta Brandner (day 2)
Jo Howard	Asa'ah Nkohkwo
Michele Afif	Hellen Adom
Sekayi Tanganyi	Russell Keenan
Kofi Amie	Kate Ryan
NICE Staff	
Lynda Ayiku (LA)	Abitha Senthinathan (AS)
Lyn Knott (LK) (day 2)	Kathryn Chamberlain (KC)
Gabriel Rogers (GR)	Mendwas Dzingina (MD)
Dylan Jones (DJ)	Mark Baker (MB) (day 2)
Rachel Ryle (RR)	Victoria Gillis (VG)
Nicole Elliott (NE) (day 1 PM)	
Apologies:	
Louise Smith	Brigitta Brandner (day 1)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Wednesday 7th December 2011

1.1 Agenda item 1: Introductions, objectives, declarations of interest, minutes of the last meeting and review of GDG 2

The evidence for two review questions will be presented on day 1, and day 2 will concentrate on the health economics and the afternoon will be spent reviewing the list of recommendations. DL explained that this would not be the only time the GDG get the opportunity to input into the final document. They will be sent it prior to consultation and have one more meeting post consultation.

1.2 Agenda item 2: Evidence presented & Discussion of evidence – Q2 Signs & symptoms to identify acute complications.

AS presented the evidence for review question 2 – signs and symptoms to identify acute complications. She discussed the GRADE tables and the GDG discussed the evidence.

1.3 Agenda item 3: Agree evidence statements/ Draft Recommendations

Having discussed the evidence the group went on to discuss and agree the evidence statements for this question. The GDG made a number of recommendations relating to the signs and symptoms of acute complications. The discussion linking the evidence to recommendations was captured and will be presented in the guideline in table format.

1.4 Agenda item 4: Evidence presented & Discussion of evidence – Q4 information and support needs of patients and carers.

DJ presented the information for that had been reviewed by VG for question 4 – the information and support needs of patients and carers. VG had extracted key themes from the evidence and these were presented to and discussed by the GDG.

1.5 Agenda item 5: Agree Evidence Statements/ Draft Recommendations

The GDG agreed the evidence statements for this question and made a number of recommendations relating to the information and support needs. The discussion linking the evidence to recommendations was captured and will be presented in the guideline in table format.

1.6 Agenda item 6: Summary of Day

DL closed the meeting.

Thursday 8th December 2011

1.7 Agenda item 1: Review of Day 1

DL opened the meeting with a brief summary of the previous day's discussions, and discussed the plan for the day. MD would give a presentation on the health economics and the afternoon would be spent reviewing all the recommendations.

1.8 Agenda Item 2: Health Economics

MD gave a presentation on the health economics. He discussed the data for the settings and then the HE model. There are still some uncertainties where GDG input is required.

1.9 Agenda item 3: Research Recommendations

DJ presented the themes and some of the suggestions for the research recommendations. The GDG discussed additional areas where they would like to make research recommendations.

1.10 Agenda item 4 & 5: Review of all recommendations

The GDG reviewed the full list of recommendations, agreeing and making changes in the context of the full list.

1.11 Agenda item 6: Next steps

KC discussed the next steps and the timelines. It was agreed to move the post consultation meeting from 24th February 2012 to 21st March 2012. The GDG were to receive the guideline, for comment, on 22nd December until 5th January. There was some concern that this would overlap with Christmas holidays, however this had been taken into account and instead of the usual 1 week to return comments, this had been extended to 2 weeks. Consultation would now be from 8th February 2012 to 7th March 2012, and publication will remain unchanged on 27th June 2012.

1.12 Agenda Item 7: AOB/Close of meeting

DL thanked the GDG and the NICE team for all their work during the development of the guideline.

The next meeting will be held in the NICE Manchester office, 21st March 2012 and will be to discuss the themes that emerge from the stakeholder consultation and any changes to the guideline. DL closed the meeting.