

Date and Time:	7th November 2012; 10.30 – 16.30hrs
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Minutes:		
Guideline Development Group Meeting		
Place:	<i>NCGC Boardroom, Great Portland Street, London</i>	
Present:	<p>Philip Conaghan (Chair) Mark Porcheret (MP) Ian Bernstein (IB) Fraser Birrell (FB) Michael Doherty (MD) Peter Kay (PK) Rob Middleton (RM) Brian Lucas (BL) Krycia Dziedzic (KD) Weiya Zhang (WZ) Richard Frearson (RF) Tony Whiting (TW) Jo Cumming (JC)</p> <p>Vanessa Delgado Nunes, Guideline Lead and Senior Research Fellow (VDN) Emmert Roberts, Research Fellow (ER) Sara Buckner, Research Fellow (SB) Margaret Constanti, Health Economist (MC) Sue Latchem, Guideline Lead and Operations Director (SL) Paul Miller, Information Scientist (PM)</p> <p>Ben Doak, Guidelines Commissioning Manager, NICE (only pm)</p>	
Co-opted experts		
Jonathan Spratt		
Apologies:		
Elspeth Wise Erika Baker		
Observers:		
None for this meeting		
Declarations of Interest		
JC		

Merck Sharpe Dohme have just agreed to give Arthritis Care funding to reprint their existing Living with OA Booklet. No changes to the content are expected as this is just a print run. They do need to check for minor amendments also to ensure it is current e.g. that the contact details for other support charities or organisations listed in the back pages. This is part of their commitment to the DoH Information Standard. MSD do not have any input to any of the reprinted booklet's contents and all editorial rights remain with Arthritis Care

MP

MP will deliver a talk at the RCGP One Day Essentials Musculoskeletal Meeting on November the 20th. Travel expenses and speaker fees of £150 will be covered by the RCGP.

MD

MD went to Tel Aviv (Oct 23rd - 26th) to help run their First Advanced Course on Physical Examination organised by the Israeli Society of Rheumatology. The Society covered the expenses for his travel, hotel (Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv - where the meeting was held) and subsistence. They also purchased from Academic Rheumatology, Nottingham, 50 facsimile copies of one of his books on Physical Examination at cost price to give to the delegates (no profit to him). The meeting focused totally on musculoskeletal clinical skills and had no content relating to management of OA (or any other rheumatic condition).

MD was a co-author of one of the fixed dose combination studies included in the evidence review.

There were no changes in any of the other GDG members' or NCGC staff's DOIs since the last meeting.

MD was asked to answer questions only in relation to the discussion of the evidence presented around fixed dose combination PPIs (personal non-pecuniary specific interest). No further actions were taken following these declarations and none of the GDG members withdrew as none of the declarations conflicted with clinical areas to be discussed during the GDG meeting.

1. Philip Conaghan welcomed the group to the sixth meeting of this GDG. Philip Conaghan asked the GDG for any new DOIs since GDG meeting 1.
2. Jonathan Spratt, co-opted expert to the OA GDG (Radiology) delivered a presentation on the role of imaging in OA.
3. Sara Buckner presented the evidence related to the role of imaging in the diagnosis in OA, particularly in the identification of red flags.
4. Philip Conaghan, Vanessa Delgado Nunes and Sue Latchem facilitated discussion and decision making with the GDG in terms of the evidence for the role of imaging in OA.
5. Emmert Roberts and Margaret Constanti presented the clinical and cost effectiveness evidence related to the use of NSAIDs+GPA fixed dose in the management of OA.
6. Philip Conaghan, Vanessa Delgado Nunes and Sue Latchem facilitated discussion and decision making with the GDG in terms of the evidence for the efficacy and safety profile of NSAIDs+GPA fixed dose.

7. Vanessa Delgado Nunes presented and agreed with the GDG the evidence review protocols on the follow-up/review of people with OA and the clinical and cost effectiveness of the use of decisions aids in OA at the GDG meeting.
8. Philip Conaghan asked the GDG whether there were any items under AOB and closed the meeting at 16.30hrs.

Date, time and venue of the next meeting

18th December 2012, 10:30 – 16:30hrs.