

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

10<sup>th</sup> Constipation in Children Guideline Development Group Meeting  
Confirmed NICE minutes  
Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009; 10 – 4pm at RCOG

## **Present:**

Jenny Gordon (JG)	GDG Chair
Janet Blannin (JB)	Parent Carer and Clinical Nurse Advisor to ERIC
Karen Tucker (KT)	Parent/carer
Lynne Watson (LW)	Specialist Health Visitor - Special Need and Children's Continence
Nick Nelhans (NN)	Consultant Paediatrician
Sara Mancell (SM)	Dietician
June Rogers (JR)	Team Director Promocon, Disabled Living
Kate Blakeley (KB)	Consultant Paediatric Clinical Psychologist
David Tappin (DT)	Community paediatrician and public health doctor
Jonathan Sutcliffe (JS)	Consultant paediatric surgeon
Sian Hooban (SH)	Team Leader, Community Children's Nurses
Zoe Rawlinson (ZR)	General Practitioner

## **NCC staff:**

Hannah-Rose Douglas (HRD)	Associate Director, NCC-WCH
Roz Ullman (RU)	Senior Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
Lauren Bardisa-Ezcurra (LBE)	Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
Rosie Crossley (RC)	Work Programme Co-ordinator, NCC-WCH

## **External Advisor:**

David Candy (DC)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist
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## **In attendance:**

Caroline Keir (CK)	Commissioning Manager, NICE
Brain Sloan (BS)	Costing Analyst, NICE
Sarah Palombella (SP)	Editorial Lead, NICE

## **Observer:**

Nicola Puddick (NP)	Administrator, RCN
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## **Apologies:**

James Cave (JC)	General Practitioner
Huw Jenkins (HJ)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist

## **1. Welcome and apologies, Declarations of interest, project notes of meeting 9**

JG welcomed the group to the meeting. Apologies were received from JC and HJ. NP was introduced to the group and would be observing the meeting. JG welcomed ZR, a general practitioner who would be working on the guideline from now on.

JR and DC declared interests and were asked to submit the relevant forms. 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.

One change was made to the project notes of the 9<sup>th</sup> GDG meeting, which were then agreed as an accurate record.

## **2. Health economics – discussion on treatment paper and presentation of new enhanced care model**

The health economist gave an overview of the different health economic models  
The group discussed the models and suggested amendments to them

## **3. Prevalence of hypothyroidism and celiac disease – discussion of evidence Review of history taking and physical examination recommendations Drafting recommendations (enclosures C, D, E)**

The group were presented the review for hypothyroidism and celiac disease. Following this presentation, the group discussed the evidence and then drafted a recommendation based on the evidence.

The GDG went on to review previous recommendations made for history taking and physical examination and made changes to them.

The group noted that cross-reference will need to be made to other guidelines

## **4. Involving children – feedback from questionnaires and consideration of scope/included questions**

The group were given a summary of children's views based on the comments received.

**5. Editing, implementation, costing and communications teams from NICE**

The costing analyst and editorial lead from NICE gave presentations on their involvement with the development process. Volunteers were requested to help develop the various versions of the guideline, to assist with the costing work and to assist with implementation of the guideline.

**6. Complementary therapies – review of the evidence (Enclosures G, H, I)  
Discussion of the evidence and drafting recommendations**

The group were presented the review for complementary therapies. The group discussed the evidence and then drafted an interpretation of evidence

**7. Algorithm**

The group were presented with a draft algorithm. The group reviewed it and suggested changes to be made.

**8. Prescribing and generic substitution**

The group discussed the issue of pharmacist prescribing and generic substitution. Advice will be sought on this issue

**9. Plans for next meetings**

The chair outlined the details for the next meetings

Signed:..... Date:.....  
Jenny Gordon, GDG Chair