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

9th Constipation in Children Guideline Development Group Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, 20th January 2009; 10 – 4pm at RCOG

Present:

Jenny Gordon (JG)	GDG Chair
Huw Jenkins (HJ)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist
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/nutritionist
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

NCC staff:

Monica Lakhanpaul (ML)	Co-Director (Children's Health), NCC-WCH
Hannah-Rose Douglas (HRD)	Associate Director, NCC-WCH
Roz Ullman (RU)	Senior Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
Lauren Bardisa-Ezcurra (LBE)	Research Fellow, NCC-WCH
Michela Tinelli (MT)	Health Economist, NCC-WCH
Rosie Crossley (RC)	Work Programme Co-ordinator, NCC-WCH

External Advisor:

David Candy (DC)	Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist

Observer:

Rosalind Lai (RL)	Information Scientist, NCC-WCH
Nina Balachander (NB)	Research Fellow, NCC-WCH

Apologies:

James Cave (JC)	General Practitioner
Sian Hooban (SH)	Team Leader, Community Children's Nurses
Caroline Keir (CK)	Commissioning Manager, NICE

1.   Welcome and apologies
Declarations of interest
Minutes of meetings 7&8

JG welcomed the group to the meeting. Apologies were received from CK, SH and JC.   NB was introduced to the group and would be observing the meeting.

No declarations of interest were announced. No declarations of interest were announced. Declarations of interest are kept on file at the NCC-WCH and will be published with the full guideline.

Several minor changes were suggested to the minutes of the 7th and 8th GDG meetings which were then agreed as an accurate record.

2.   Lifestyle and dietary interventions – clinical evidence

RU presented the review for lifestyle and dietary interventions for ongoing maintenance.

The GDG went through the evidence statements for the dietary and lifestyle reviews.

The interpretation of evidence, recommendation and research recommendation were drafted. The draft statements will be sent to the topic group, who will modify them in light of the discussion. The topic group need to justify why the recommendations are different from the evidence.

JR leave

3.   Health economics update

HRD presented a progress report on the health economic analysis and the clinical data that we can use for economic analysis.

HRD and MT will write up the health economic work they have done based on the available clinical data for comment by the GDG.

4.   Involving children update

RU asked the GDG if they needed any help in completing the questionnaires. No one had yet received completed questionnaires and chasing patients for them.

5.   Introductions – some tips

RU gave the GDG some tips for writing introductions. A first draft of introductions will be needed in the next few weeks. Topic group leads will write the introduction and send it to the rest of their

groups for comment. The agreed draft should then be sent to LBE and RU for editing. Edited versions will then be sent back to topic group for final approval.

7.   April's meeting

RU reminded the GDG that the meeting on 31st March had been cancelled. The next meeting will take place on 1st April, where someone from NICE will give a talk on editing and implementation and what to expect as the guideline reaches the final stages of development. RC will let the group know once the meeting is confirmed to look at stakeholder comments. JG will contact JC to find out what level of GP input he can offer. JG will also find another GP to work on the guideline. DT is coordinating work on the glossary.

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

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Monica Lakhanpaul, Clinical Co-Director (Children's Health)