# Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Guideline Committee – development

Date: 26/07/2016

Location: Friends' Meeting House, 6 Mount Street, Manchester

Minutes:

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Committee members present:		
Andrew Bradbury (AB) – Chair	Present for all items	
Ivan Bennett (IB)	Present until 12:30, partway through item 2	
Chris Hammond (CH)	Present for all items	
Matthew Slater (MS)	Present for all items	
Gillian Kitching (GK)	Present for all items	
Claire Martin (CM)	Present for all items	
Adam Pichel (AP)	Present for all items	
Les Ruffell (LR)	Present for all items	
Alan Huw Smith (AHS)	Present for all items	
Noel Wilson (NW)	Present for all items	

In attendance:		
Ben Doak (BD)	NICE Guideline Commissioning Manager	Present for all items
Susan Ellerby (SE)	ICG – Clinical Advisor	Present for all items
Jamie Elvidge (JE)	ICG – Health Economist	Present for all items
Lucy Hoppe (LH)	ICG – Technical Analyst	Present for all items
Adam O'Keefe (AO)	ICG – Project Manager	Present for all items
Joshua Pink (JP)	ICG –Technical Advisor	Present for all items
Sue Spiers (SS)	ICG – Associate Director	Present for all items

Observers:	
Chris Feinmann – BNF Commissioning Manager	Present until 12:30, partway through item 2
Jill Peacock – Guideline Co-ordinator	Present until 12:30, partway through item 2

Apologies:	
Jugdeep Dhesi – Committee Member	
Karen Jellett – Committee Member	
Jacqualine Lindridge – Committee Member	

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Tamsin Ribbons – Committee Member

Sammer Tang – Committee Member

Sarah Glover (SG) – NICE Information Specialist

Lisa Stone – NICE – MPP Medicines Advisor

## 1. Welcome, apologies, minutes of the last meeting, declarations of interest

#### <u>Welcome</u>

The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the seventh meeting of the abdominal aortic aneurysm guideline committee. The Chair welcomed new committee members IB and LR to their first meeting. The Chair advised the group of Matt Thompson's resignation, due to a personal matter not related to this Committee.

## <u>Apologies</u>

Apologies for the meeting were received as detailed above.

## **Objectives**

The Chair outlined the main objectives of the meeting, which included the presentation of evidence reviews for review questions 2 and 18.

The Chair advised that the Resource Impact Assessment presentation scheduled under agenda item 2 has been rescheduled for the next meeting

## Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the previous meeting without any amendments.

## **Declarations of interest**

Each committee member was asked to declare any new conflicts since the previous meeting. There were no new conflicts of interest declared. The Chair confirmed that, having reviewed the historical declaration of interests table that the committee members present were eligible to attend the committee meeting and contribute to the discussions and drafting of any recommendations.

# 2. Review Question 2: Which imaging techniques are the most useful in confirming the presence and size of an abdominal aortic aneurysm?

CH provided a brief clinical introduction to the topics being discussed under Review Questions 2 and 18 for the benefit of committee members and attendees.

LH provided the committee with a summary of key terminology to aid their understanding of the

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evidence presentations.

LH recapped the search protocol and presented the evidence supporting Review Question 2 for the committee's consideration. JE noted that no economic evidence had been found.

The committee considered the evidence presented and drafted five recommendations.

3. Review Question 18: What imaging techniques are most accurate in confirming the presence of a ruptured or symptomatic unruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm?

LH informed the committee that no relevant evidence had been identified and provided an explanation for the reasons studies had been excluded.

The committee acknowledged that a lack of evidence in this area was to be expected. Given the lack of evidence the committee agreed that they were unable to draft any recommendations for review question 18.

The committee considered related recommendations drafted for review question 2, discussed their own current clinical practice and experience and redrafted one of these recommendations to reflect their discussion.

#### 4. Next steps

The Chair thanked the committee for their time and contribution to the meeting. The venue, date and time of the next meeting was confirmed:

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13 September 2016

Location of next meeting: NICE offices, Manchester