

## Falls: assessment and prevention in older people and people 50 and over at higher risk (update)

### Guideline Committee Interests Register

Register last updated: January 2025

Name	Role with NICE	Type of interest	Description of interest	Interest arose	Interest declared	Interest ceased	Comments
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	I am leading National Institute for Health Research Health Technology Assessment (NIHR HTA)-funded work to develop a falls prediction model using routinely available primary care electronic health record data.	01/10/2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: review if study publishes and is included in guideline.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	I lead the development and national implementation of the electronic frailty index (eFI) as a tool to support routine frailty identification using routine primary care electronic health record data	01/10/2016	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Review if evidence included in guideline.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	I lead an NIHR HTA-funded trial of a home-based extended rehabilitation for older people RCT, which includes falls as a key outcome	01/09/2016	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Review if evidence published and included

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Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician er-	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	I co-lead an NIHR HTA-funded systematic review and network meta-analysis of community-based complex interventions for older people, which includes falls as a key outcome	01/01/2020	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Review if any studies are included as part of the guideline.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct financial interest	Employed as University Professor of geriatric medicine/	2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate.  Rationale: salaried employment in a not-for-profit organisation providing NHS services.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Daniels H, Hollinghurst J, Fry R, Clegg A, Hillcoat-Nallétamby S, Nikolova S, Rodgers SE, Williams N, Akbari A. 2020. The value of routinely collected data in evaluating home assessment	2020	Recruitment	2020	Declare and participate.  Rationale: study not included as

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			and modification interventions to prevent falls in older people; a systematic literature review. JMIR Aging.				evidence in reviews.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Hollinghurst J, Daniels H, Fry R, Akbari A, Rodgers S, Watkins A, Hillcoat-Nallétamby S, Williams N, Nikolova S, Meads D, Clegg A. 2021. Do home adaptation interventions help to reduce emergency fall admissions? A national longitudinal data-linkage study of 657,536 older adults living in Wales (UK) between 2010 and 2017. Age and Ageing	2021	Recruitment	2021	Declare and participate.  Rationale: study not included as evidence in reviews.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Österdahl MF, Sinnott S-J, Douglas I, Clegg A, Tomlinson L, Wong A. 2022. Frailty and rate of fractures in patients initiating antihypertensive medications: a cohort study in primary care. Drugs & Therapy Perspectives. 38(1), pp. 41-50	2022	Recruitment	2022	Declare and participate.  Rationale: study not included as evidence in reviews.
Andrew Clegg	Guideline committee co-optee: Acute care physician	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Report of the development & external validation of the eFalls tool Archer,L; Clegg,A et al Age & Ageing,2024;53.	2024	GC12	Ongoing	Declare and withdraw for recommendation making.

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			Lucinda Archer, Samuel D Relton, Ashley Akbari, Kate Best, Milica Bucknall, Simon Conroy, Miriam Hattle, Joe Hollinghurst, Sara Humphrey, Ronan A Lyons, Suzanne Richards, Kate Walters, Robert West, Danielle van der Windt, Richard D Riley, Andrew Clegg, The eFI+ investigators, Development and external validation of the eFalls tool: a multivariable prediction model for the risk of ED attendance or hospitalisation with a fall or fracture in older adults, Age and Ageing, Volume 53, Issue 3, March 2024, afae057, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1093/ageing/afae057">https://doi.org/10.1093/ageing/afae057</a>				Rationale: paper included in evidence review for electronic patient records
Catherine Ruane	Guideline committee - Lay member	Nil	Nil	n/a	On application	n/a	No action required
Cathy Baldwin:	Guideline committee member: Care home representative	Direct financial interest	Employed as Care quality advisor on falls management for Anchor	2020	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate.  Rationale: salaried employment in social care

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							commercial organisation providing NHS services
Charlotte Deasy	Guideline committee member: Old age psychiatrist	Direct financial interest	Honorary Clinical senior Lecturer, University of Newcastle	01/2017	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in a not-for-profit organisation providing NHS services.
Charlotte Deasy	Guideline committee member: Old age psychiatrist	Direct financial interest	Clinical Lead for Dementia and Older Adult's Mental Health, NHS England Regional Mental Health Team (North-East and Yorkshire)	05/2024	GC 13	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in the NHS.
Charlotte Deasy	Guideline committee member: Old age psychiatrist	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Old age Faculty Executive Committee, Royal College of Psychiatrists	06/2022	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate.  Rationale: interest is non-specific to the scope

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Charlotte Deasy	Guideline committee member: Old age psychiatrist	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as Consultant psychiatrist	2016	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in the NHS.
Christina Heaton	Guideline committee member: Advanced Practitioner Nurse	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as Consultant nurse falls prevention & Bone Health	2010	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in the NHS.
Christina Heaton	Guideline committee member: Advanced Practitioner Nurse	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	PhD Thesis was based on Falls and Ambulance call out	2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Christina Heaton	Guideline committee member: Advanced Practitioner Nurse	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Honorary Clinical Lecturer at Edge Hill University.	2024	GC12	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in a not-for-

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Christina Heaton	Guideline committee member: Advanced Practitioner Nurse	Direct non financial interest	Due to commence upcoming role with the Clinical Research Committee for the Royal Osteoporosis Society starting in April.	April 2025	19 12 2024	Ongoing	Declare and participate.  Rationale: role commences after guideline publishes.
Daniel MacIntyre	Guideline committee member: Consultant in Public health (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Member of National Falls Prevention Coordination Group Steering Group	2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Daniel MacIntyre	Guideline committee member: Consultant in Public health (Early member)	Direct financial interest	Employed as local authority Consultant in public health with remit for Ageing Well	2020	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment with organisation providing NHS services.

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David Tomlinson	Guideline committee member: Exercise Professional	Direct financial interest	Employed as a health and fitness advisor/ GP referral instructor/ specialist health instructor providing exercise prescription/guidance for Everybody sport and recreational Trust which is a health and leisure charity	1999	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: Salaried employment in not-for-profit organisation proving NHS services.
Heather Smith	Guideline committee cooptee: Pharmacist	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Member of Medicines Optimisation Specialist Interest Group for British Geriatrics Society	May 21	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Heather Smith	Guideline committee cooptee: Pharmacist	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Committee member for Royal Pharmaceutical Society West Yorkshire	2014	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Heather Smith	Guideline committee cooptee: Pharmacist	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as Consultant pharmacist for older people	2020	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment



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Heather Smith	Guideline committee cooptee: Pharmacist	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Committee member for Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) Education & Standards Committee	Jan 2020	Recruitment	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Heather Smith	Guideline committee cooptee: Pharmacist	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Lead for consultations and standards for Care of Older People Committee for United Kingdom Clinical Pharmacy Association (UKCPA)	Jan 2021	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Jennifer Farren	Guideline committee member: Advanced Practitioner Nurse	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as Nurse specialist for older adults	2016	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in the NHS.
Jennifer Farren	Guideline committee member: Advanced	Direct financial interest	NHS England – Clinical Project manager – London Dementia Clinical Network	13 10 2022	03 11 2022	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific

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	practitioner Nurse						to scope of guideline.
Jennifer Farren	Guideline committee member: Advanced practitioner Nurse	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Membership in London Frailty Clinical Network from March 2023. Role: NHS England, Clinical project manager.	March 2023	23 03 2023	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Jennifer Farren	Guideline committee member: Advanced practitioner Nurse	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Recently changed roles within NHS England from the medical directorate to health and care in the community.	December 2024	19 12 2024	Ongoing	Declare and participate
Jenny Simper	Guideline committee - General Practitioner	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as GP locum	2017	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment with the NHS.
Julie Blake	Guideline committee member: cooptee Occupational therapist	Direct financial interest	Employed as senior clinical manager – occupational therapy.  Works for NRS Healthcare, a division of which markets products for people at risk of	2018	On application	July 2023	Declare and participate.  Rationale: salaried employment in health

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			falls. No involvement with advising on or provision of products for falls.				care commercial organisation providing NHS services.
Julie Blake	Guideline committee member: cooptee Occupational therapist	Direct financial interest	Self-employed OT. Contract work for NRS Healthcare, a division of which markets products for people at risk of falls and Locum for Haringey Council.	July 2023	July 2023	ongoing	Declare and participate. Rationale: self-employed on contract with a health care commercial organisation and for a local authority. providing NHS services.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct financial interest	Lecturer in physiotherapy.	09/2018	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate. Rationale: Salaried employment in not-for-

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Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct financial interest	Consultant practitioner in gerontology	11/2017	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment with the NHS.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Publication: Whitney J, Close JCT, Jackson SHD, Lord SR. Understanding Risk of Falls in People With Cognitive Impairment Living in Residential Care. Journal of the American Medical Directors Association 2012;13(6):535-40	2012	On application	-	Declare and participate  Rationale: not included as evidence in guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	British Geriatrics Society specialist interest groups for falls and rehabilitation.	2013	On application	2019	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee	Direct, non-financial	Publication: Whitney J, Jackson SH, Close JC, Lord	2013	On application	-	Declare and participate

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	member: Physio- therapist  (Early member)	professional and personal interests	SR. Development and validation of a fall-related impulsive behaviour scale for residential care. Age Ageing 2013;42(6):754-8				Rationale: not included as evidence in guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio- therapist  (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Publication: Sherrington C, Michaleff ZA, Fairhall N, Paul SS, Tiedemann A, Whitney J, Cumming RG, Herbert RD, Close JC, Lord SR: Exercise to prevent falls in older adults: an updated systematic review and meta-analysis. Br J Sports Med 2016#	2016	On application	-	Declare and participate  Rationale: not included as evidence in guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio- therapist  (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Publication: Whitney, J., Jackson, S. H. D., & Martin, F. C. (2017). Feasibility and efficacy of a multi-factorial intervention to prevent falls in older adults with cognitive impairment living in residential care (ProF-Cog). A feasibility and pilot cluster randomised controlled trial. BMC Geriatr, 17(1), 115. doi:10.1186/s12877-017-0504-6	2017	On application	-	Declare and participate  Rationale: study included as one of several studies in the meta-analysis and does not carry much weight on overall results.

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Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Clinical lead for the National Audit of Inpatient Falls, Royal College of Physicians.	2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physio-therapist (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Member of the National Falls Prevention Coordination Group	2019	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Julie Whitney	Guideline committee member: Physiotherapist (Early member)	Direct, non-financial professional and personal interests	Involved with National Falls Prevention Coordination Group and the National Audit of inpatient falls. Published national report on inpatient falls audit: <a href="https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/projects/outputs/naif-annual-report-2022">https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/projects/outputs/naif-annual-report-2022</a>	2022	08 12 2022	-	Declare and participate  Rationale: non-specific to guideline reviews.
Margaret Lally	Guideline committee Chair	Nil	Nil	n/a	On application	n/a	No action required

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Margaret Lally	Guideline committee Chair	Direct financial interest	Declared interest in the NICE guideline on medicines associated with dependency or withdrawal symptoms. Held Chair role, which ended in April 2022	2022	19 12 2024	04 2022	Declare and participate.  Rationale: non-specific to scope of guideline.
Michelle Manzie	Guideline committee - Lay member	Direct financial interest	Employee of Royal Voluntary Service. RVS provide services to older people based on the Move It or Lose It programme across the UK	2022	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment with a not-for-profit organisation providing NHS services.
Tun Aung	Guideline committee member: Physician (general medicine and geriatric medicine) (Early member)	Direct financial interest	Employed in NHS as Consultant Physician (General Medicine and Geriatric Medicine)	2002	On application	Ongoing	Declare and participate  Rationale: salaried employment in the NHS.

## **GUIDANCE NOTES FOR COMPLETION OF THE INTERESTS REGISTER**

**Relevant dates:** Detail here the date the interest arose, the date it was first declared and when it ceased, if applicable. For example, if an individual has ceased to hold shares or undertake relevant private practice.