

Fertility problems committee meeting 19

Date: 14/02/2025

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:		
Fergus Macbeth	Present for notes 1-5	
Kate Brian	Present for notes 1-5	
Ciaran Hannington	Present for notes 1-5	
Jason Kasraie	Present for notes 1-5	
Stuart Lavery	Present for notes 1-5	
Raj Mathur	Present for notes 1-5	
Kevin McEleny	Present for notes 1-5	
Allan Pacey	Present for notes 1-5	
Maj Shabbir	Present for notes 1-5	
Peter Taylor	Present for notes 1-5	
Francesca Steyn	Present for notes 1-5	
Nicky Hudson	Present for notes 1-5	
Guy Morris	Present for notes 1-5	
Bethan Shoemark-Spear	Present for notes 1-5	

In attendance:		
Maija Kallioinen	Topic Lead	Present for notes 1-5
Katie Tuddenham	Project Manager	Present for notes 1-5
Odette Megnin-Viggars	Senior Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1-5
Aye Paing	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1-5
Laura Berg	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1-5
Rachel Connolly	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1-4
Paul Jacklin	Health Economics Adviser	Present for notes 1-5
Alexandra Bonnon	Health Economist	Present for notes 1-5
Stephen Murphy	Clinical Adviser	Present for notes 1-5
Sarah Palombella	Senior Medical Editor	Present for notes 1-5
Philip Williams	Resource Impact Business Analyst	Present for notes 1-5
Observers:		
Rachel Cutting	HFEA Adviser	Present for notes 1-5

Apologies	
Yasmin Rahman	Guideline Committee member

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 19th meeting of the fertility guideline update.

The Chair informed the committee that apologies had been received as noted above.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting which included reviewing the draft guideline and research recommendations.

2. Confirmation of matter under discussion, and declarations of interest

The Chair confirmed that, for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest, the matter under discussion was fertility problems.

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have risen since the last meeting. No new interests were declared.

The Chair and a senior member of the Developer's team noted that MS and KM will not participate in decision making for recommendations related to treatment for varicocele because of a conflict of interest related to a published paper.

3. Morning presentations and discussions

The Chair introduced Odette Megnin-Viggars, Senior Technical Analyst, who gave a short update on the re-run searches for update 2.

The Chair introduced Aye Paing, Technical Analyst, who gave a presentation on the evidence for RQ1.1.1b. The committee discussed draft recommendations.

4. Afternoon presentations and discussions

The Chair reintroduced Aye Paing, Technical Analyst, who gave a presentation on the evidence for RQ1.2.4. The committee discussed draft recommendations.

5. Any other business

There being none, the Chair closed the meeting at 14.30.

Date of next meeting: Monday 17 March 2025

Location of next meeting: Virtual via Zoom

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