Literature search strategies

Due to the broad population of the guideline and the inclusion of non-randomised trials, initial evidence searches retrieved significantly large numbers of abstracts (tens of thousands for each question). Therefore, to make the most efficient use of time and resources, the searches had to be narrowed down. The Committee was aware of a recent widely agreed classification that was published by the Neurological Intelligence Network (NIN) and which used the International Classification of Diseases codes (ICD10 2015) to define the conditions included in adult neurology in England. The Committee used this classification to map out each sign and symptom to the relevant conditions which were then used to narrow down the populations in the search strategy and hence obtain more manageable numbers of abstracts. For conditions relating to childhood conditions, the paediatric specialists on the Committee used the NIN list as a basis for producing a list of relevant conditions for children. The conditions/population included for each search strategy are listed in the protocols in Appendix C and in the search strategies in Appendix G.

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Search strategies used for the Suspected neurological conditions guideline are outlined below and were run in accordance with the methodology in the NICE guidelines manual 2014, available from https://www.nice.org.uk/article/pmg20/. Searches were run between 3rd June and 9th March 2017 (see individual questions for exact date). Any studies added to the databases after this date (even those published prior to this date) were not included unless specifically stated in the text. Where possible searches were limited to retrieve material published in English.

All searches for the clinical reviews were run in Medline (OVID) and Embase (OVID). Additionally the Cochrane Library (Wiley) was searched for certain questions relating to predictive tests, see Table 1.

Searches for prognostic studies were usually constructed combining population terms with prognostic variable terms and sometimes outcomes. Search filters were added to the search where appropriate. A search filter for signs and symptoms was also used in questions A.4.2, A.4.3, A.4.4, A.4.8, Error! Reference source not found. and A.4.10.

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Searches for the health economic reviews were run in Medline, Embase, the NHS Economic Evaluations Database (NHS EED) and the Health Technology Assessment (HTA) database. NHS EED and HTA databases are hosted by the Centre for Research and Dissemination (CRD). The NHS EED database has not been updated since 2015.

For Medline and Embase an economic filter (instead of a study type filter) was added to the same clinical search strategy. Searches in CRD and HEED were constructed using population terms only.

### A.2 Population search strategies

There is no standard population for this guideline. The guideline covers a range of signs and symptoms each potentially indicating one of several underlying neurological conditions. The underlying conditions varied depending on the sign or symptom being investigated. Consequently, search strategies were created for 18 identified core conditions. For each search sign and symptom, terms were combined with the relevant core conditions. More information about each review question is provided in the review protocols in appendix C and appendix D.
A.2.1  Age groups

Searches Error! Reference source not found., A.4.4, A.4.7 and A.4.8 only applied to children and infants so a specific filter was applied.

A.2.1.1  Children and babies

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#4.  (pediatric*1 or paediatric*1):ti,ab
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A.2.2  Conditions

A.2.2.1  Ataxia

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### A.2.2.2 Brain spinal injury

#### Medline search terms

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| #2. | ((head or brain or spinal or spine) adj3 (injur* or trauma)).ti,ab. |
| #3. | ((skull or spinal or spine) adj3 fracture*).ti,ab. |
| #4. | exp spinal injuries/ or spinal cord injuries/ or exp neck injuries/ |
| #5. | (whiplash or coma* or concussion*).ti,ab. |
| #6. | (injur* adj3 (intracranial or nerve* or plexus or cervical or thoracic or lumbar or peripheral or cauda equina or cord or lumbosacral or neck or brain or spinal or spine)).ti,ab. |
| #7. | (traumatic adj3 (brain or spine or spinal or oedema* or edema* or haemorrhag* or hemorrhag*)).ti,ab. |
| #8. | or/1-7 |

#### Embase search terms

| #1. | exp brain injury/ or head injury/ or traumatic brain injury/ |
| #2. | ((head or brain or spinal or spine) adj3 (injur* or trauma)).ti,ab. |
| #3. | ((skull or spinal or spine) adj3 fracture*).ti,ab. |
| #4. | spine injury/ or cervical spine injury/ or spinal cord injury/ or cervical spinal cord injury/ or neck injury/ or whiplash injury/ |
| #5. | (whiplash or coma or concussion).ti,ab. |
| #6. | (injur* adj3 (intracranial or nerve* or plexus or cervical or thoracic or lumbar or peripheral or cauda equina or cord or lumbosacral or neck or brain or spinal or spine)).ti,ab. |
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### A.2.3 Cranial nerve diseases

#### Medline search terms

| #1. | cranial nerve diseases/ or exp abducens/ or nerve diseases/ or exp accessory nerve diseases/ or exp glossopharyngeal nerve diseases/ or exp hypoglossal nerve diseases/ or exp olfactory nerve diseases/ or exp optic nerve diseases/ or exp trochlear nerve diseases/ or exp vagus nerve diseases/ or exp vestibulocochlear nerve diseases/ |
| #2. | exp facial nerve diseases/ |
| #3. | ((abducens or nerve or accessory or glossopharyngeal or hypoglossal or olfactory or optic or visual cortex or trochlear or vagus or vestibulocochlear or cochlear) adj3 (disease* or disorder*)).ti,ab. |
| 4. | ((cranial or facial or hemifacial or hemi-facial) adj3 (disease* or palsy or palsies* or neuralgia or neuropath* or spasm*)).ti,ab. |
| 5. | (melkersson-rosenthal syndrome or bell's palsy or bells palsy or trigeminal neuralgia or trigeminus neuralgia or postzoster neuralgia or melkersson syndrome or facial myokymia or geniculate ganglionitis).ti,ab. |
| 6. | or/1-5 |

**Embase search terms**

| 1. | cranial neuropathy/ or abducens nerve disease/ or accessory nerve disease/ or glossopharyngeal nerve disease/ or hypoglossal nerve disease/ or olfactory nerve disease/ or optic nerve disease/ or vagus nerve disease/ or trochlear nerve disease/ or vestibulocochlear nerve disease/ |
| 2. | ((abducens or nerve or accessory or glossopharyngeal or hypoglossal or olfactory or optic or visual cortex or trochlear or vagus or vestibulocochlear or cochlear) adj3 (disease* or disorder*)).ti,ab. |
| 3. | ((cranial or facial or hemifacial or hemi-facial) adj3 (disease* or palsy or palsies* or neuralgia or neuropath* or spasm*)).ti,ab. |
| 4. | (melkersson-rosenthal syndrome or bell's palsy or bells palsy or trigeminal neuralgia or trigeminus neuralgia or postzoster neuralgia or melkersson syndrome or facial myokymia or geniculate ganglionitis).ti,ab. |
| 5. | bell palsy/ |
| 6. | melkersson rosenthal syndrome/ |
| 7. | hemifacial spasm/ |
| 8. | facial nerve disease/ or hemifacial atrophy/ or face pain/ or herpes zoster oticus/ or moebius syndrome/ |
| 9. | trigeminus neuralgia/ |
| 10. | or/1-9 |

**CRD search terms**

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| #2. | MeSH descriptor accessory nerve diseases explode all trees |
| #3. | MeSH descriptor glossopharyngeal nerve diseases explode all trees |
| #4. | MeSH descriptor olfactory nerve diseases explode all trees |
| #5. | MeSH descriptor optic nerve diseases |
| #6. | MeSH descriptor trochlear nerve diseases explode all trees |
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| #11. | (((cranial or facial or hemifacial or hemi-facial) adj3 (disease* or palsy or palsies* or neuralgia or neuropath* or spasm*))) |
| #12. | ((melkersson-rosenthal syndrome or bell's palsy or bells palsy or trigeminal neuralgia or trigeminus neuralgia or postzoster neuralgia or melkersson syndrome or facial myokymia or geniculate ganglionitis)) |
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### A.2.2.4 Central nervous system diseases

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### A.2.2.8 Functional diseases

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**A.2.2.12 Myelopathies and radiculopathies**

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3. radiculopathy/
4. vertebral canal stenosis/
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3. ((spondylosis or spinal stenosis or radiculopathy* or myelopath* or leukoencephalopath*))
4. MeSH descriptor spinal stenosis
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**A.2.2.13 Neuromuscular disease**

**Medline search terms**

1. neuromuscular diseases/
2. myasthenia gravis/
3. exp myositis/
4. myositis.ti,ab.
5. exp muscular dystrophies/
6. ((neuromuscular or immobility) adj3 (disorder* or disease*)).ti,ab.
7. (ischaemic infarction* adj3 (disorder* or disease*)).ti,ab.
8. (muscular dystroph* or muscular atroph* or myositis or myastheni* or lambert-eaton syndrome or eaton-lambert syndrome or duchenne* or becker* or miyoshi or walker warburg syndrome toxic myoneural disorder* or myotonic disorder*).ti,ab.
9. lambert-eaton myasthenic syndrome/
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### A.2.2.14 Nervous system tumours

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32. exp neuroectoderm tumor/

33. pnet.ti,ab.

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36. pineal body tumor/

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40. (cranio?pharyngioma* or cranio-pharyngioma*).ti,ab.

41. hypophysis tumor/

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46. spongioblastoma*.ti,ab.

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#2. MeSH descriptor cranial nerve neoplasms explode all trees

#3. MeSH descriptor central nervous system neoplasms

#4. MeSH descriptor spinal cord neoplasms explode all trees

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| #13 | (acoustic adj1 neurona*) ) |
| #14 | (neurinoma* or neurofibroma* or neurilemmoma or schwannoma*) ) |
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# A.2.2.15 Peripheral nerve disorders

## Medline search terms

1. `exp peripheral nervous system diseases/`
2. `(peripheral nerv* adj3 (disorder* or disease*)).ti,ab.
3. `(stiff person syndrome or isaacs syndrome or moersch woltmann syndrome or stiff-man syndrome or startle syndrome).ti,ab.
4. carpal tunnel syndrome.ti,ab.
5. polyneuropath*.ti,ab.
6. mononeuropath*.ti,ab.
7. causalgia.ti,ab.
8. `((cprs or complex regional pain syndrome) adj3 (type 1 or type one or type i or type two or type ii or type 2)).ti,ab.
9. phantom limb/
10. phantom limb.ti,ab.
11. `((plexus or root) adj3 (compression* or disorder*).ti,ab.
12. `((radial or ulnar or median) adj3 lesion*).ti,ab.
13. `(neuropathies or neuropathy).ti,ab.
14. or/1-13

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1. `peripheral neuropathy/
2. `(peripheral nerv* adj3 (disorder* or disease*)).ti,ab.
3. `(peripheral neuropathy) /
4. carpal tunnel syndrome or stiff person syndrome or isaacs syndrome).ti,ab.
5. polyneuropath*.ti,ab.
6. mononeuropath*.ti,ab.
7. causalgia.ti,ab.
8. `((cprs or complex regional pain syndrome) adj3 (type 1 or type one or type i or type two or type ii or type 2)).ti,ab.
9. phantom limb.ti,ab.
10. `((plexus or root) adj3 (compression* or disorder*).ti,ab.
11. `((radial or ulnar or median) adj3 lesion*).ti,ab.
12. `((neuropathies or neuropathy).ti,ab.
13. carpal tunnel syndrome/
14. polyneuropathy/
15. exp mononeuropathy/
16. complex regional pain syndrome type ii/
17. diabetic plexus neuropathy/
18. or/1-17

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| #1. | MeSH descriptor peripheral nervous system diseases explode all trees |
| #2. | `(peripheral nerv* adj3 (disorder* or disease*))` |
| #3. | ((stiff person syndrome or isaacs syndrome or moersch woltmann syndrome or stiff-man syndrome or startle syndrome) ) |
| #4. | (carpal tunnel syndrome ) |
| #5. | (polyneuropath* ) |
| #6. | (mononeuropath* ) |
| #7. | (causalgia ) |
| #8. | (((cprs or complex regional pain syndrome) adj3 (type 1 or type one or type i or type ii or type 2))) |
| #9. | MeSH descriptor phantom limb |
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| #11. | (((plexus or root) adj3 (compression* or disorder*)) ) |
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| #13. | ((neuropathies or neuropathy) ) |
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### A.2.2.16 Rare disorders

#### Medline search terms

| 1. | cerebral palsy/ |
| 2. | exp paralysis/ |
| 3. | (monoplegi* or hemiplegi* or paraplegi* or tetraplegi* or cerebral palsy or paralytic syndrome or werdnig hoffmann syndrome).ti,ab. |
| 4. | (cerebrospinal fluid adj2 leak*).ti,ab. |
| 5. | (diastematomyelia or dydromyelia or neuromyopath* or systematic atroph* or cerebral cyst* or benign intracranial hypertension or dysreflexia).ti,ab. |
| 6. | polyradiculopathy*.ti,ab. |
| 7. | neurotoxicity syndromes/ |
| 8. | (toxic encephalopath* or neurotoxic* syndrome*).ti,ab. |
| 9. | (((postpoliomyelitis or post-polio or post polio or postpolio) adj1 syndrome) or disease).ti,ab. |
| 10. | arnold-chiari malformation/ |
| 11. | (arnold-chiari adj1 (syndrome or malformation)).ti,ab |
| 12. | aphas/ |
| 13. | dysarthria/ |
| 14. | (dysarthria or aphasis or dysphasia or anarthria).ti,ab. |
| 15. | exp dyslexia/ |
| 16. | agnosia/ |
| 17. | agnosia.ti,ab. |
| 18. | dyslexia.ti,ab. |
| 19. | exp apraxias/ |
| 20. | apraxia.ti,ab. |
| 21. | (syringobulbia or syringomyelia).ti,ab. |
| 22. | exp autonomic nervous system diseases/ |
| 23. | neurodegenerative diseases/ |
| 24. | ((neurodegenerative or neuro-degenerative or neuro degenerative or autonomic nervous system) adj3 (disease* or disorder*)).ti,ab. |
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#### A.3.1 Excluded study designs and publication types

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**A.3.3 Observational studies (OBS)**

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6. presentation*.ti,ab.
7. (physical adj3 (manifest* or characteristic* or feature* or finding*)).ti,ab.
8. (sign or signs or symptom* or recogni* or identif* or complain*).ti,ab.
9. (diagnos* or prognos* or assess* or criteria* or predict*).ti,ab.
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A.4 Searches for specific questions

A.4.1 Head shape or size abnormalities

- In children and babies who present with abnormal head shape, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying neurological problems?

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2. Cranial nerve diseases [A.2.2.3]
3. Central nervous system diseases [A.2.2.4]
4. Epilepsy [A.2.2.6]
5. Headache [A.2.2.9]
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7. Neuromuscular disease [A.2.2.13]
8. Nervous system tumours [A.2.2.14]
9. Peripheral nervous disorders [A.2.2.15]
10. Rare disorders [A.2.2.16]
11. Sleep disorders [A.2.2.17]
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A.4.2 Facial pain, atraumatic

- In adults and young people who present with atraumatic facial pain, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying suspected neurological conditions?

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2. Functional diseases [A.2.2.8]
3. Rare disorders [A.2.2.16]
4. multiple sclerosis/
5. ((multiple or disseminated) adj2 scleros*).ti,ab.
6. myelitis, transverse/
7. ms.ti.
8. cluster headache/
9. cluster headache*.ti,ab.
10. ((migraine* or headache*) adj3 (face or facial pain*)).ti,ab.
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2. Functional diseases [A.2.2.8]
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A.4.3 Dizziness

- In adults and young people who present with dizziness, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying neurological conditions?

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**A.4.4 Headaches in children**

- In children and babies under 12 who present with headache, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying suspected neurological conditions?

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14. (migraine* or headache*).ti.
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### A.4.5 HINTS test

- In people with suspected (or under investigation for) new onset of vertigo or dizziness, is the HINTS (Head-Impulse—Nystagmus—Test-of-Skew) test effective in identifying whether there is a central nervous system cause, as indicated by the reference standard, MRI?
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A.4.6 Memory tests

- In people under 40 with suspected (or under investigation for) memory failure, what is the negative predictive value of neuropsychological assessments in ruling out organic memory failure?

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13. gpcog.ti,ab.
15. mini-cog.ti,ab.
16. (addenbrooke* cognitive exam* or ace-3 or ace3 or ace-r).ti,ab.
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Cochrane search terms

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A.4.7 Motor developmental delay (CK test)

- In children and infants under 10 who present with motor developmental delay, is a Creatine Kinase test accurate in identifying whether muscular dystrophy is present as compared to no test (and as indicated by the reference standard, diagnosis at follow-up)?

**Medline search terms**

1. muscular dystrophies/
2. developmental disabilities/ or motor skills/
3. (motor* or develop*) adj2 (delay* or disorder*),ti,ab.
4. (milestone* adj2 (miss* or delay*)).ti,ab.
5. (musc* dystrop* or duchenne*),ti,ab.
6. or/1-5
7. Children and babies [A.2.1.1]
8. creatine kinase/ or creatine kinase, mm form/
9. (creatine kinase or creatine k or creatine phosphokinase or ck or phospho-creatine kinase or c pk or creatine phosphotransferase or phosphocreatine phosphotransferase or isoenzyme c pk mb or mm creatine or muscle creatine).ti,ab.
10. 8 or 9
11. 6 and 7 and 10
12. Excluded study designs and publication types [A.3.1]
13. 11 not 12
14. Limit 13 to English language

**Embase search terms**

1. muscular dystrophy/
2. developmental disorder/ or motor performance/ or motor development/
3. (motor* or develop*) adj2 (delay* or disorder*),ti,ab.
4. (milestone* adj2 (miss* or delay*)).ti,ab.
5. (musc* dystrop* or duchenne*),ti,ab.
6. or/1-5
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9. creatine kinase mm/
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A.4.8 Blackouts and other paroxysmal events
- In children and babies who present with paroxysmal events, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying suspected neurological conditions?

Medline search terms
1. Children and babies [A.2.1.1]
2. seizures/
3. seizures, febrile/
4. ((non-epileptic or non epileptic or nonepileptic or nonepilepsy or non-epilepsy or non epilepsies or paroxysmal or complex or pyrexial* or dissociative) adj2 (seizure* or attack* or disorder* or event* or convulsion* or spell* or fit* or episode* or blackout*)):ti,ab.
5. ((psychogenic or physiological or psychological or psychosomatic or somatoform)
   adj2 (seizure* or convulsion* or blackout* or fit*)):ti,ab.
6. (febrile adj1 (convulsion* or seizure* or fit*)):ti,ab.
7. or/2-6
8. Signs and symptoms filter [A.3.5]
9. 1 and 7 and 8
10. Study filters OBS [A.3.3] or PROG [A.3.4]
11. 9 and 11
### A.4.9 Sensory symptoms such as tingling or numbness
- In people who present with tingling or altered sensation in the body, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying suspected neurological conditions?

#### Medline search terms
1. Epilepsy [A.2.2.6]
2. Functional diseases [A.2.2.8]
3. Multiple sclerosis and inflammatory disorders [A.2.2.11]
4. Myelopathies and radiculopathies (A.2.2.12)
5. Nervous system tumours [A.2.2.14]
6. Peripheral nervous disorders (A.2.2.15)
7. Rare disorders [A.2.2.16]
8. or/1-7
9. (tingl* or alter* sens* or electric shock* or prickl* or numb or numbness or paresthesia* or paraesthesia* or formication*).ti,ab.
10. (pin* adj2 needle*).ti,ab.
11. or/9-10
12. Signs and symptoms filter [A.3.5]
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A.4.10  Tremor

- In people who present with tingling or altered sensation in the body, what is the predictive accuracy of accompanying signs and symptoms to support non-specialists in identifying suspected neurological conditions?
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