Advocacy services for adults with health and social care needs

Committee Meeting 5

Date: 17th & 18th August 2021

Location Via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Phil Taverner (Chair)	Present for items 1 – 9
Simon Abbott	Present for items 5 – 9
Jonathan Senker	Present for items 1 – 9
Kate Mercer	Present for items 1 – 9
Pamela Wrest	Present for items 1 – 9
Ellie Thomas	Present for items 1 – 9
Catherine Ruane	Present for items 1 – 9
Gabriel Ivbijaro	Present for items 1 – 9
Cherry Pedler	Present for items 1 – 9
Gail Petty	Present for items 1 – 9
Claire Gilbert	Present for items 1 – 4
Robert Cooper	Present for items 1 – 4
Ali Sea	Present for items 1 – 9
Stephen Lim	Present for items 1 – 9

In attendance:			
Josh South	NGA Project Manager	Present for items 1 – 9	
Offiong Ani	NGA Co-Guideline Lead	Present for items 1 – 9	
Timothy Reeves	NGA Co-Guideline Lead	Present for items 1 – 9	
Laura O'Shea	NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 9	
Anja Fricke	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 9	
Angela Bennett	NGA Director of Guidelines	Present for items 1 – 9	
Bridget Warr	NGA Social Care Advisor	Present for items 1 – 9	
Nick Staples	NICE Commissioning Manager	Present for items 1 – 9	
Sarah Catchpole	NICE Content Editor	Present for items 1 – 9	

1. 17th August - Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair, Phil Taverner, welcomed the committee members and attendees to the first day of the 5th guideline committee meeting on Advocacy services in adults with health and social care needs. The Chair thanked the committee for joining the meeting virtually.

The Chair asked the committee if they had any new declarations. Kate Mercer and Gail Petty confirmed a new interest regarding work with NHS England/Improvement on an NDTi funded project looking into advocacy in restricted settings with people with learning disabilities and autism. This declaration will be added to the register on the NICE website.

2. Formal consensus – Results of questionnaires

Laura O'Shea, Senior Systematic Reviewer, and Anja Fricke, Systematic Reviewer, presented the results of the formal consensus voting amongst the committee for the following scope areas;

- Partnership working and relationships with families and carers, commissioners and providers
- Training skills and support for advocates
- Planning & commissioning services
- Information about effective advocacy
- Enabling and supporting effective advocacy

3. Formal consensus – Drafting recommendations

Timothy Reeves and Offiong Ani, Co-Guideline Leads, outlined the formal consensus statements for the following areas;

- Training for practitioners

- Training for advocates

The committee were asked if they had any amendments they wished to make to these to convert to recommendations.

4. AOB

The Chair closed the meeting at 16:30pm.

5. 18th August – Welcome

The Chair, Phil Taverner, welcomed the committee members and attendees to the second day of the 5th guideline committee meeting on Advocacy services in adults with health and social care needs.

6. Formal consensus – Results of questionnaires

Anja Fricke, Systematic Reviewer, presented the results of the formal consensus voting amongst the committee for the following scope area;

- Improving access to advocacy

7. Formal consensus – Drafting recommendations

Timothy Reeves and Offiong Ani, Co-Guideline Leads, outlined the formal consensus statements for the following area;

- Enabling and supporting effective advocacy

The committee were asked if they had any amendments they wished to make to these to convert to recommendations.

8. Formal consensus – Results of questionnaires

Laura O'Shea, Senior Systematic Reviewer, presented the results of the formal consensus voting amongst the committee for the following scope area;

- Monitoring services

9. AOB

The Chair closed the meeting at 16:30pm.

Date of next meeting:	7 th September 2021

Location of next meeting: Via Zoom