

Women's and Reproductive Health Guidelines Update Committee Meeting – Maternity committee

Date: 1st May 2025

Location Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Minutes: FINAL

Committee members present:					
Sarah Fishburn (Chair)	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Maggie Blott	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Maria Clark	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Lucy O'Malley	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Sarah Griffiths	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Chimwemwe Kalumbi	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Makrina Savvidou	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Sophie McAllister	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Frances Rivers	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Aung Soe	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Tim Watts	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Bryony Kendall	Present for notes 1 – 7				
Ashifa Trivedi	Present for notes 1 – 7				

In attendance:		
Maija Kallioinen	Topic Lead	Present for notes 1 – 7
Hayley Jones	Project Manager	Present for notes 1 – 7
Tamara Diaz	Project Manager	Present for notes 1 – 4
Sharangini Rajesh	Senior Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 7
Aye Paing	Technical Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 7
Paul Jacklin	Health Economics Advisor	Present for notes 1 – 7
Marie Anne Ledingham	Clinical Advisor	Present for notes 1 – 4 and 6 – 7
Ayisha Ashmore	Clinical Fellow	Present for notes 1 – 7
Gareth Haman	Senior Guidance Content Designer	Present for notes 1 – 7
Suzie Panek	Finance Analyst	Present for notes 1 – 4



Apologies:	
Sophie House	Midwife
Alena Chong	GP

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting.

The Chair welcomed members of the maternity committee to the Women's and Reproductive Health Suite committee meeting.

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

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting, which included discussing maternal hyponatremia and stakeholder comments received on this.

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

The Chair confirmed that, for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest, the matters under discussion were maternal hyponatremia and intrapartum care.

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have arisen since the last meeting.

Name	Role with	Type of interest	Description of interest	Relevant dates			Comments
	NICE			Interest arose	Interest declare d	Interest ceased	
Bryony Kendall	Committ ee Member	Direct, financial	Designated Doctor for Child Death NHS Cheshire and Merseyside	May 2025	29.04.2 025	Ongoing	Non-specific. Declare and participate. Rationale: Salaried employment in the NHS.

3. Minutes of last meeting

The Chair asked the committee to confirm the minutes of the last meeting, and the committee confirmed that no changes were required.

4. Maternal hyponatraemia stakeholder consultation comments

The Chair introduced Maija Kallioinen, Topic Lead, who led a committee discussion on stakeholder comments received for the maternal hyponatraemia update of the intrapartum care guideline. The committee then made changes to the draft recommendations on this topic following the stakeholder comments.



5. Intrapartum care update - Waterbirth and second stage of labour protocol: What are the effectiveness and safety of water immersion during the second stage of labour in healthy women with uncomplicated pregnancies at term and their babies?

The Chair introduced Aye Paing, Technical Analyst, who led the committee through the protocol on waterbirth as part of an update to the intrapartum care guideline. The committee agreed and made changes to the protocol.

6. Other maternity topics

The Chair introduced Maija Kallioinen, Topic Lead, who gave an overview of upcoming work for the maternity committee.

7. Any other business

The meeting was closed at 17:00.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 8th July 2025

Location of next meeting:

Virtual via Microsoft Teams