

Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management

Committee Meeting 5

Date: 16th December 2020

Location: Via Zoom

Minutes: Final

Committee members present:	
Mark Thomas (Chair)	Present for items 1 – 8
David Turner (Topic Advisor)	Present for items 1 – 8
Saul Faust	Present for items 1 – 8
Andrew Hitchings	Present for items 1 – 8
Amit Arora	Present for items 1 – 8
Linda Glennie	Present for items 1 – 8
Tim Cook	Present for items 1 – 8
Robert Heyderman	Present for items 1 – 8
Michael Griffiths	Present for items 1 – 8
Imran Jawaid	Present for items 1 – 8
Paul Heath	Present for item 6
Ian Maconachie	Present for items 1 – 4

In attendance:		
Lisa Boardman	NGA Guideline Lead	Present for items 1 – 8
Laura O'Shea	NGA Senior Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Kelly Williams	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Zipporah Iheozor-Ejiofor	NGA Systematic Reviewer	Present for items 1 – 8
Paul Jacklin	NGA Senior Health Economist	Present for items 1 – 8
Elise Hasler	NGA Information Scientist	Present for items 1 – 8
Stephen Murphy	NGA Clinical Advisor	Present for items 1 – 8
James Hall	NICE Content Editor	Present for items 1 - 2

Apologies:	
Richard Tubman	Committee member
Josh South	NGA Project Manager
Simon Nadel	Committee member

Nathan Griffiths	Committee member
Debarata Bhattacharya	Committee member
Catrina Charlton	NICE Commissioning Manager

1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting

The Chair welcomed the committee members and attendees to the 5th guideline committee meeting on Meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management. The Chair thanked the committee for joining the meeting virtually.

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 meningitis (bacterial) and meningococcal disease: recognition, diagnosis & management. The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the meeting.

3. NICE Editor presentation

James Hall, NICE Content Editor, provided a presentation on the role of the NICE Editor within NICE guidelines.

4. Evidence report for RQ 3.2

RQ 3.2 - What is the optimal timing of antibiotic administration for people with suspected meningococcal disease?

Kelly Williams, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the evidence report for review questions 3.2. The committee discussed the evidence and agreed on draft recommendations where required.

5. RQ 4.4 PICO

RQ 4.4 - What is the effectiveness of corticosteroid treatment in bacterial meningitis?

Zipporah Ihezor-Ejiofor, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the PICO for review question 4.4. The committee discussed the PICO and amended this where required.

6. RQ 5.1 PICO

RQ 5.1 - What is the effectiveness of supplemental corticosteroids in meningococcal disease?

Zipporah Ihezor-Ejiofor, NGA Systematic Reviewer, presented the PICO for review questions 5.1. The committee discussed the PICO and amended this where required.

7. NICE Neonatal infection guideline consultation comments

Lisa Boardman, NGA Guideline Lead, outlined the key NICE Neonatal infection guideline consultation

comments that impact this guideline.

8. AOB

There was no further business to discuss. The Chair closed the meeting at 16:30pm.

Date of next meeting: 6TH January 2021

Location of next meeting: Via Zoom