

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Guideline Development Group Meeting 3: Cirrhosis**

**Date and Time:** 17th October 2014, 10am-4pm

**Place:** Boardroom, NCGC, 180 Great Portland Street

**Present:**

Iain Brew	General Practitioner, Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust
Andrew Fowell	Consultant Gastroenterologist & Hepatologist, Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth
Lynda Greenslade	Clinical Nurse Specialist in Hepatology, Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust
Phillip Harrison	GDG Chair, Senior Lecturer & Consultant Hepatologist, King's College London
Mark Hudson	Consultant Hepatologist & Gastroenterologist, Newcastle Hospitals NHS Trust
Susan McRae	Patient/carer representative
Marsha Morgan	Principle Research Fellow & Honorary Consultant Physician, UCL Institute for Liver & Digestive Health
Gerri Mortimore	Lead CNS Liver
Andrew Langford	Patient/carer representative

**NCGC technical team**

Brian Hogan	ST5 in Intensive Care Medicine, Homerton University Hospital (Specialist Trainee Adviser)
Emily Davies	Senior Research Fellow
Martin J Harker	Senior Health Economist
Katie Jones	Senior Project Manager
Jill Parnham	Operations Director
Heather Stegenga	Research Fellow
Lefteris Floris	Health Economist
Stacey Lockyer	Research fellow

**In attendance:**

Margaret Ghلامي	Guidelines coordinator, NICE	
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**Observers:**

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**Apologies**

Caroline Keir	Guideline commissioning manager, NICE
Valerie Ross	Lead Pharmacist in Hepatology, Barts Health NHS Trust

1. PH welcomed the group to the third meeting of the Cirrhosis GDG. Apologies were received from VR (Cirrhosis GDG) and CK (NICE). The DOI register was made available to the GDG chair. The chair reviewed the DOI register and deemed that none of the original DOIs were in conflict with the agenda topics and clinical questions under discussion at the meeting. No action was required. The GDG declared the following new DOIs:

Name	DOI	Chair's action
PH, CK, MM, KJ, HS, JP, ED, SMR, BH, IB, MH, AF, LG, MJH, LF, AL.	No new declarations	Nil

2. The minutes of GDG 2 were agreed as an accurate representation of the meeting, with minor amendments.
3. The GDG discussed the Linking evidence to recommendations table from GDG2 and made minor amendments.
4. ED presented to the group the draft table of questions.
5. ED, SL and HS presented to the group on the draft protocols relating to intravenous fluids for the management of hepatorenal syndrome, risk factors for cirrhosis and surveillance for varices.
6. ED presented to the group the evidence review for the clinical and cost effectiveness of non-selective beta-blockers and band ligation versus no intervention and each other for the primary prevention of oesophageal varices. LF presented to the group the economic evidence relating to the question. The GDG considered the evidence and drafted recommendations.
7. MJH updated the group on the plans for health economic analysis within the guideline.
8. There was no other business.

#### **Date, time and venue of the next meeting**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 10am – 4pm, Boardroom, National Clinical Guideline Centre, 180 Great Portland Street.**