

Date and Time: Friday 12 September 2014, 10:00-16:00

LBP Guideline Development Group Meeting 7

Place: NCGC, 180 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 5QZ

Present:

Stephen Ward Consultant in Pain Medicine, Brighton & Sussex University

(Chair) Hospitals NHS trust

Babak Arvin Consultant Neurosurgeon, Queens Hospital

Ian Bernstein General Practitioner, Gordon House Surgery, London Patrick Hill Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Birmingham Community

Healthcare NHS Trust

Philip Sell Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, University Hospitals of

Leicester NHS Trust

Mark Mason Patient/carer representative

Steve Vogel Vice Principal (Research), British School of Osteopathy

Simon Somerville General Practitioner, Park Medical Centre, Leek,

Staffordshire

Chris Wells Consultant in Pain Medicine

Neil O'Connell Lecturer, School of Health Sciences & Social Care Brunel

University

In attendance:

Serena Carville Guideline Lead, NCGC

Paul Miller Senior Information Scientist, NCGC

Sophia Kemmis- Health Economist, NCGC

Betty

Silvia Rabar Senior Research Fellow, NCGC

Nancy Turnbull Project Manager NCGC

Ben Doak	Guideline Commissioning Manager, NICE
Gareth Haman	Senior Medical Editor, NICE

Apologies:

Wendy Menon	Patient member
David Walsh	Honorary consultant rheumatologist, Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Helen Taylor	Nurse Specialist, Pain Management Solutions
Gary MacFarlane	Chair (clinical) in Epidemiology, University of Aberdeen
Ben Pordes	Project Manager, NCGC
Qudsia Malik	Research Fellow, NCGC

1. Welcome, apologies and DOIs

SW welcomed the group to the seventh meeting of this GDG. Apologies were received from WM, BP, QM, and HT. CW and GM stood down from the meeting due to conflicts of interest.

- NO is attending two conferences and has had flights and expenses and honorarium paid by IASP. Neither are industry sponsored conferences. It was decided that he should declare and participated.
- DW declared that he is a PI on an upcoming study with Pfizer, but the contract has not been signed. It was agreed that he should stay, will the ability to make comments on the evidence but not on recommendations

2. Clinical evidence for pharmacological interventions

SR gave a presentation of the clinical evidence for this review question.

3. Economic evidence for pharmacological interventions

SKB gave a presentation on the economic evidence for this review question.

4. Discussion and linking evidence to recommendations for pharmacological interventions

The GDG discussed the evidence that had been presented and made recommendations.

5. NICE editorial presentation

GH presented to the GDG on the role of the NICE editor and guidance on wording recommendations.

6. Epidural injections in sciatica draft protocol

The GDG discussed and made amendments to the epidural injections in sciatica draft protocol.

7. **AOB**

There was no other business.

8. Close of meeting

Date, time and venue of the next meeting

GDG8, Thursday 16 October 2014, 10am-4pm, Boardroom NCGC