Final Minutes

Attendees: **PDG Members**
John Dervan (JD), Vivienne Evans (VE), Jayne Gosnall (JG),
Nick Heather (NH), Sauid Ishaq (SI), Eileen Kaner (EK), Anne Ludbrook (AL), Harshad Mistri (HM), Paul McArdle (PMc),
Trevor McCarthy (TM), Chris Record (CR), Patrick Smythe (PS), Ian Treasure (IT).

**NICE**
Andrew Hoy (AH), James Jagroo (JJ), Alix Johnson (AJ),
Dylan Jones (DJ), Antony Morgan (AM), Patricia Mountain (PM),
Bhash Naidoo (BN), Linda Sheppard (LS).

**Contractors - SchARR**
Alan Brennan (AB), Rachel Jackson (RJ), Nick Latimer (LM),
Petra Meier (PMS), Robin Purshouse (RP),

**Co-Optees**
Crispin Acton (CA), Peter Anderson (PA), Mark Prunty (MP)

Apologies: **PDG Members**
Jane Benanti (JB), Paul Edmondson-Jones (PE), Jim McCambridge (JMc), Lynn Owens (LO), Don Shenker (DS),

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PDG members, NICE team, the public (via web publication)
## Welcome, Introductions and Aims of the Meeting

The Chair welcomed everyone to the seventh meeting. PDG members, NICE staff, contractors and the co-optees introduced themselves to the group and apologies were received.

The Chair outlined the objectives of the day:

- To discuss the Macro level evidence and agree areas for recommendations.
- To discuss the additional evidence on children and young people included in the brief intervention review
- To discuss aspects of the economic modelling plan

## Minutes from the previous meeting, Declarations of Interest and matters arising

The Chair asked the PDG Members for any accuracy amendments to the minutes of the previous meeting. These minutes were approved with a minor amendment. All actions have been completed.

Previously declared interests:

- **Paul Edmondson-Jones** – potential personal non-pecuniary interest as a commissioner of services and member of National screening group on Alcohol
- **Ian Treasure** - potential personal non-pecuniary interest as a commissioner of services
- **Paul McArdle** – potential personal pecuniary interest - pharmaceutical company paid for his attendance at an international meeting and personal non pecuniary interest - published a randomised trial of group work which may potentially be used in the prevention of alcohol abuse
- **Jim McCambridge** – potential personal non-pecuniary interest – conclusions drawn in research studies that are in this area of guidance
- **Trevor McCarthy**- potential personal non- pecuniary interest - Presentations at conferences; development of *Model of care for Alcohol Misuse*, Review of effectiveness of treatment for alcohol problems
- **Lynne Owens** – potential personal non – pecuniary as a chair of nursing counsel on alcohol
- **Eileen Kaner** – potential personal non – pecuniary as someone who has developed screening tools and brief intervention material and drawn conclusions in this area in published review.
- **Jane Benati** – potential non personal pecuniary as someone with a research interest.
Trevor McCarthy – potential personal pecuniary interest – self employed as a consultant, both directly by alcohol charities and indirectly by alcohol commissioning bodies.

Don Shenker – potential personal non pecuniary interest as Chief Executive of Alcohol Concern, a professional organisation with a direct interest in matters under consideration.

Anne Ludbrook – potential personal non-pecuniary interest – as some of her staff received research grants from public sector sources. Also, personal non-pecuniary interest – research into alcohol related topics. Anne Ludbrook – potential non personal pecuniary interest – as family members hold a small amount of shares in organisations that have retail alcohol sales; Tesco, Diageo and The Restaurant Group.

Members were asked for any new declarations of interests.

Anne Ludbrook declared a personal non pecuniary interest from presentations and media appearances.

There were no other new declarations of interest. The Chair reminded PDG members that the new Declaration of Interest forms for the new financial year were needed and to forward to NICE if they had not already done so.

### ScHARR presentation on Macro level findings

Rachel Jackson gave a brief presentation on the Macro level findings of the review by ScHARR

The points raised were around

- Minimum legal age of alcohol purchase
- Enforcement of minimum legal age of alcohol purchase
- Management of the sale of alcohol to intoxicated individuals
- Licensed hours and days of alcohol sale
- Alcohol outlet density
- Interaction between off-licence and on-licence availability of alcohol

### Department of Health - Price and Promotion

The Chair welcomed two colleagues from the Department of Health, Crispin Acton and Mark Prunty, who gave the PDG a brief summary of policy relating to alcohol.

### Macro Level – Discussants

The Chair welcomed Dr Peter Anderson, Public Health Consultant who is a co-optee for this piece of guidance, who briefly outlined his thoughts on possible recommendations around macro level prevention strategies.
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| 6 | **Price Modelling**  
Robin Purshouse from ScHARR briefly outlined their plan for the price modelling. The Chair thanked Robin and the team from ScHARR and opened the plenary discussion. |   |
| 7,8 | **Plenary discussion of areas for Macro Level recommendations**  
The Chair welcomed Professor Mike Kelly, Director of CPHE at NICE, who joined by videoconference.  
The PDG discussed what the review suggested and discussed broad, evidence based areas, for recommendations. |   |
| 9 | **ScHARR update brief interventions in young people**  
Rachel Jackson from ScHARR provided the PDG with a brief overview of what the additional evidence on children and young people had shown. The Chair thanked ScHARR and asked that the narrative should be extended to be more age specific, the levels of consumption and socio-economic. | ScHARR |
| 10 | **Brief interventions in Young People - Discussants**  
Paul McArdle provided the committee with his thoughts on what the PDG may be able to recommend based on the evidence. Paul asked the committee to consider that age was not the only factor, but also how mentally capable the young person is to make informed decisions. Those who are less capable may need the brief interventions to be tailored accordingly. |   |
| 11 | **Plenary discussion of areas for Brief Interventions in Young People recommendations**  
The Chair thanked Paul, and opened the discussion to the committee. A discussion followed on the validity of extrapolating adult-related Brief Intervention recommendations to young people. The Chair asked ScHARR to give as much detail on the studies that relate to young people as possible. | ScHARR |
| 12 | **Modelling results - shortened Screening and Brief Intervention**  
Robin Purshouse from ScHARR updated the committee on the modelling results from the screening and brief interventions. The Chair thanked Robin and opened the discussion.  
It was agreed that the GP and A&E scenarios should be separate as different groups may access the different NHS services, for example, homeless people would not have a GP. |   |
| 13 | **How the process will develop from here**  
Antony Morgan provided the PDG with an overview of how the process |   |
will now develop leading into evidence consultation.

14 Any Other Business
None

The Chair thanked all attendees and closed the meeting at 4pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 2\textsuperscript{nd} July, Manchester
MEETING PAPERS TO BE MAILED: Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} June 2009