

Myalgic encephalomyelitis (or encephalopathy)/Chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS) Committee meeting 3

Date: 20/05/2019

Location: Trinity room, Holiday Inn London Regents Park

Minutes: Confirmed

Committee members present:	
Peter Barry (Chair)	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Ilora Finlay (Vice-Chair)	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Theo Anbu	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Michael Beadsworth	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Joanne Bond-Kendall	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Saran Bonser	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Sally Burch	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Chris Burton	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Tony Crouch	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Jo Daniels	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Dorinda Jack	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Nicola Kidby	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Caroline Kingdon	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Adam Lowe	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Jennifer McIntosh	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Gabrielle Murphy	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Luis Nacul	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Alan Stanton	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Susan Watson	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
William Weir	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Charles Shepherd (co-optee)	(Present for notes 1 – 6)

In attendance:		
Agnes Cuyas	NGC Information Specialist	(Present for notes 4 – 6)

Kate Kelley	NGC Guideline Lead	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Amy Kelsey	NGC Senior Project Manager	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Mark Perry	NGC Senior Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Maria Smyth	NGC Senior Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Karin VanBart	NGC Trainee Systematic Reviewer	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Melina Vasileiou	NGC Research Fellow	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
David Wonderling	NGC Head of Health Economics	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Rupert Franklin	NICE Senior Guideline Commissioning Manager	(Present for notes 1 – 6)
Sarah Catchpole	NICE Senior Medical Editor	(Present for notes 1 – 6)

Observers:

None.	
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Apologies:

None.	
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1. Welcome and objectives for the meeting
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The Chair welcomed the Committee members and attendees to the third meeting of the ME/CFS guideline. The Committee members and attendees introduced themselves.

The Chair informed the Committee that no apologies had been received.

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:

- Diagnostic tests
- Diagnostic criteria

- Non pharmacological interventions and self-management
- Pharmacological interventions

The Chair asked everyone to verbally declare any interests that have arisen since the last meeting. There were no new declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of last meeting

The Chair asked the Committee if it wanted any changes made to the minutes of the last meeting. The Committee agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate account of the meeting.

4. Presentations, questions and discussion

The Chair introduced Maria Smyth, NGC Senior Research Fellow, who gave a presentation on the Diagnostic tests evidence review. The committee discussed the evidence review and were given the opportunity to ask questions. The committee drafted 1 research recommendation. The Chair thanked MS for her presentation.

The Committee discussed and made edits to the draft Diagnostic criteria recommendations.

The Committee discussed the following draft review protocols and were given the opportunity to ask questions.

- Non-pharmacological interventions and self-management
- Pharmacological interventions

5. Other issues

Kate Kelley discussed the call for evidence survey results with the Committee.

6. Any other business

None.

Date of next meeting: 08/07/2019

Location of next meeting: Holiday Inn Regents Park