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Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Date and time:** Thursday, 13 June 2024

**Location:** Via Zoom

**Attendees**

# Committee members present

1. Professor Tom Clutton-Brock (Chair) Present for all items
2. Mr James Tysome (Vice Chair) Present for all items except item 5 (part 2)
3. Professor Augusto Azuara-Blanco Present for all items
4. Mr Christopher Adams Present for all items
5. Mr Conrad Harrison Present for all items
6. Mr Mahmoud Elfar Present for all items
7. Mr Marwan Habiba Present for all items
8. Ms Noemi Muszbek Present for all items
9. Mr Paddy Storrie Present for all items
10. Mr Patrick Farrell Present for all items
11. Dr Paula Whittaker Present for all items
12. Dr Sandeep Sign Randhawa Present for all items except item 4
13. Dr Stuart Smith Present for all items
14. Ms Veena Soni Present for all items

# NICE staff present:

Dr Alan Ashworth – Consultant Clinical Advisor, IPP

Dr Anastasia Chalkidou – Associate Director, IPP

Anna Sparshatt – Senior Editor, Publishing

Professor Anthony Akobeng - Consultant Clinical Advisor, IPP

Catriona Vernal – Senior Guidance Content Designer, Publishing

Charlotte Pelekanou –Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Corrina Purdue – Project Manager, IPP

Deonee Stanislaus – Project Manager, HealthTech Programme

Enna Christmas – Associate Analyst, IPP

Helen Barnett – Senior Medical Editor, Publishing

Helen Crosbie – Public Involvement Advisor, Public Involvement Programme

Helen Gallo – Senior Analyst, IPP

Louisa Robinson –Analyst, IPP

Michael Kertanegara – Associate Analyst, IPP

Ria Skelton – Senior Medical Editor, Publishing

Sana Issa – Coordinator, Corporate Office

Sarah Bromley – Senior Medical Editor, Publishing

Xia Li –Analyst, IPP

Zoe Jones – Administrator, IPP

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# External group representatives present:

Marilyn Dysart, Stryker Present for item 5

Caterina Balzan, Stryker Present for item 5

Ralphael Oghagbon, Medtronic Present for item 5

Agnieszka Strzembosz, Medtronic Present for item 5

Daria Bottacci, Elesta Present for item 6

Fabio Andreola, Elesta Present for item 6

Katharina Kiss, MCT Lifesciences Present for item 7

Dr Sánchez-Recalde, MCT Lifesciences Present for item 7

Juan Serrano, MCT Lifesciences Present for item 7

Murat Celebi, MCT Lifesciences Present for item 7

Tony Martins, Avery Biomedical Devices Present for items 8 & 9

# Clinical, Patient & NHS England experts present:

Carl Philpott, Professor of Rhinology & Olfactology, University of East Anglia Present for item 5

Yujay Ramakrishnan, ENT Consultant, Nottingham University Hospital Present for item 5

Chris Ogden, Consultant Urologist, University College London Hospital Present for item 6

1. Introduction to the meeting
   1. The chair welcomed members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.
   2. The chair noted apologies from Dawn Lee, Dhiraj Tripathi, Jon Bell, Jurjees Hasan, Kathleen Ford, Matthew Metcalfe, Mustafa Zakkar, and Tim Kinnaird.
2. News and announcements
   1. The Chair announced that Deonee will be leaving the Interventional Procedures team and will be moving to another role within NICE. The Chair thanked her for her contribution to the programme.
   2. The Chair confirmed that there will not be a committee meeting in August.
   3. The Chair reminded the committee that the October committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. The Chair encouraged them to attend in person and reminded them to book their travel through NICE.
3. Minutes from the last meeting
   1. The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on 09/05/2024.
4. Briefs of IP2010 Laparoscopic insertion of a non-active implant for gastro-oesophageal reflux disease
   1. Part 1 – Closed session
      1. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* No conflicts of interest were declared for the procedure.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced Louisa Robinson, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Laparoscopic insertion of a non-active implant for gastro-oesophageal reflux disease.
    2. The committee approved the content of the scope as adequate for evaluation of this procedure.

1. NNP of IP963/2 Corticosteroid-releasing bioabsorbable stent or spacer insertion during endoscopic sinus surgery to treat chronic rhinosinusitis
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the invited clinical experts, members of the public, and company representatives from Stryker and Medtronic.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* James Tysome declared an indirect financial interest as he performs endoscopic sinus surgery in both the NHS and private practice, although he does not use corticosteroid-eluting bioabsorbable stents or spacers.
* It was agreed that his declaration would allow James Tysome to participate in part 1 of the discussion only, and he was asked to leave the meeting for part 2 of the item.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced Sandeep Singh Randhawa, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Corticosteroid-releasing bioabsorbable stent or spacer insertion during endoscopic sinus surgery to treat chronic rhinosinusitis.
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives, clinical experts, and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: 10:16.

* + 1. The committee then made its provisional recommendations on the safety and efficacy of the procedure. The committee decision was reached by consensus.
    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Consultation Document [IPCD] in line with their decisions.

A document explaining the draft recommendations is available here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg28/chapter/draft-recommendations>

1. NNP of IP1956 Transperineal laser ablation (TPLA) for treating lower urinary tract symptoms of benign prostatic hyperplasia
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the invited clinical experts, members of the public, and company representatives from Elesta.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* Sandeep Singh Randhawa declared a professional interest as he is a GP with a specialist interest in Urology but does not perform this procedure.
* It was agreed that this was not a conflict and would not prevent Sandeep Singh Randhawa from participating in this section of the meeting.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced Paula Whittaker, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Transperineal laser ablation (TPLA) for treating lower urinary tract symptoms of benign prostatic hyperplasia.
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives, clinical experts, and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: 11:36.

* + 1. The committee then made its provisional recommendations on the safety and efficacy of the procedure. The committee decision was reached by consensus.
    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Consultation Document [IPCD] in line with their decisions.

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1. Public Consultation comments of IP2009 Caval valve implantation for tricuspid regurgitation
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the members of the public and company representatives from MCT Lifesciences.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* No conflicts of interest were declared for the procedure.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced Augusto Azuara-Blanco, who summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Caval valve implantation for tricuspid regurgitation.
    2. The Chair introduced the key themes arising from the consultation responses to the Interventional Procedures Consultation Document [IPCD] received from consultees, commentators and through the NICE website.
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: 12:42.

* + 1. The committee then made its final recommendations on the safety and efficacy of the procedure. The committee decision was reached by consensus.
    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Final Document [FIPD] in line with their decisions.  
         
       A document explaining the final recommendations is available here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg28/chapter/the-production-of-guidance>

1. Public Consultation comments of IP2021 Phrenic nerve pacing for ventilator-dependent high cervical spinal cord injury
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the members of the public and company representatives from Avery Biomedical Devices.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* No conflicts of interest were declared for the procedure.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced James Tysome, who summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Phrenic nerve pacing for ventilator-dependent high cervical spinal cord injury.
    2. The Chair introduced the key themes arising from the consultation responses to the Interventional Procedures Consultation Document [IPCD] received from consultees, commentators and through the NICE website.
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: 12:55.

* + 1. The committee then made its final recommendations on the safety and efficacy of the procedure. The committee decision was reached by consensus.
    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Final Document [FIPD] in line with their decisions.  
         
       A document explaining the final recommendations is available here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg28/chapter/the-production-of-guidance>

1. Public Consultation comments of IP1994 Phrenic nerve pacing for congenital central hypoventilation syndrome
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the members of the public and company representatives from Avery Biomedical Devices.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.

* No conflicts of interest were declared for the procedure.
* The Committee was asked whether there were any specific equalities issues to consider in relation to this procedure.
  + 1. The Chair then introduced James Tysome, who summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Phrenic nerve pacing for congenital central hypoventilation syndrome.
    2. The Chair introduced the key themes arising from the consultation responses to the Interventional Procedures Consultation Document [IPCD] received from consultees, commentators and through the NICE website.
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting: 13:13.

* + 1. The committee then made its final recommendations on the safety and efficacy of the procedure. The committee decision was reached by consensus.
    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Final Document [FIPD] in line with their decisions.  
         
       A document explaining the final recommendations is available here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg28/chapter/the-production-of-guidance>

1. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) will be held on 11/07/2024 and will start promptly at 9am.