



Minutes
National Clinical Effectiveness Committee (NCEC)
Thursday 29th March 2018

Present	Apologies
Dr. Karen Ryan (Chair) Dr Anne Marie Brady Mr Donal Clancy Dr Jayne Crowe Dr Philip Crowley Ms Brigid Doherty Ms Fionnuala Duffy Prof Gerry Fitzpatrick Dr Máirin Ryan Ms Rosemary Smyth Ms Colette Tully Ms Mary Wynne	Dr Elaine Breslin Dr Áine Carroll Ms Linda Dillon Ms Mairead O'Driscoll Dr Cathal O'Keeffe

Secretariat: Ms. Susan Reilly

Clinical Effectiveness Unit: Dr. Kathleen Mac Lellan, Dr. Sarah Condell, Ms Pauline Dempsey, Dr. Niamh O'Rourke.

Lunch and Learn: The Chair thanked Ms Rosarie Lynch, (Head Surveillance Unit NPSO) for her on "Introduction to Patient Safety Surveillance".

Item 1 Welcome and apologies

Apologies as per table above.

Item 2 Conflict of Interest Declarations

All members were reminded to complete the annual Declaration of Interest Form.

Prof Fitzpatrick and Dr M Ryan declared an interest in Agenda Item 6 (a); following consideration, it was decided by the Chair that it was permissible for them to remain at the meeting for the discussion.

Item 3 Minutes 25th January 2018

The Minutes of 25th January 2018 were agreed.

All action points have either been met or are agenda items. The very successful launch of the Public Involvement (PI) Framework took place on 21st March with almost 50 attendees. CEU are looking for volunteers to test the PI eLearning module and persons interested can contact P Dempsey.

Item 4 Matters Arising from Minutes

No matters arising.

Item 5 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Item 6 National Clinical Guidelines (NCGs)

6 (a) Quality Assurance report for CG-044 Adult Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus (circulated prior to meeting for decision)

P Dempsey spoke to the quality assurance report of the diabetes guideline CG-044. It was noted that this was the first NICE contextualisation process used by a guideline development group in Ireland. The recommendation from the appraisal team was that the guideline be endorsed following minor amendments approved by the CEU.

Decision: It was agreed that CG-044 Adult Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus be recommended to the CMO and Minister for Health for approval following minor amendments approved by the CEU.

Action 1: Letter and report to go to the Chair outlining the decision including the amendments required. The CEU will return to the Committee if any significant issues are raised during the revision process.

6 (b) List of NCGs and guidelines in development (for information)

A table of guidelines published and in development was provided for information.

6 (c) Scoping note on massive haemorrhage

Dr S Condell spoke to this paper. Following the January NCEC meeting, officials met with the clinical leads of the HSE national clinical programme in surgery, national clinical programme for anaesthesia and NOCA and undertook some desk-top research in order to inform the paper. SC expressed her thanks to NOCA for support and input. The Minister for Health has written to the DG HSE requesting that a Guideline Development Group Chair be identified. Once identified, the Chair will establish a GDG to commence work on the Guideline.

Decision: The NCEC agreed with the approach outlined in the scoping paper and discussion at the meeting. For clarity the word ‘unanticipated’ would be added to the recommended scope.

Action 2: The NCEC agreed to support the commissioning of a guideline on massive haemorrhage. The Chair will revert to the Minister advising him of same.

Item 7 Subgroup updates

7. (a) Clinical Guideline Methodology subgroup (CGMS)

P Dempsey advised that the draft Guideline Developers Manual is with the sub-group currently for review.

7. (b) Clinical Audit subgroup

Dr. S Condell advised that the subgroup were not scheduled to meet since the last NCEC meeting but that work on clinical audit processes continues.

7. (c) Education & Training

Dr N O’Rourke provided an update on clinical effectiveness education and training.

This subgroup met on March 8th 2018. Activities and priorities for subgroup in 2018 include:

- The development of a competency framework for clinical effectiveness education in Ireland has commenced (UCC).

- The development of a guide and toolkit for implementation of National Clinical Guidelines has commenced (CES) and will be circulated to NCEC members for review in May.
- Evaluation of 2017 training courses underway.
- NPSO learning zone is now live: NCEC members invited to circulate details to colleagues/groups as relevant.
- Subgroup to continue collaboration on clinical effectiveness education with QQI, CORU, Medical Council, HRB-CICER, CEBM and CES.

Item 8– National Clinical Audit

Whilst the quality assurance process for the Radiology QI Programme was scheduled for March 2018, technical difficulties for the Radiology QI Programme has meant that the QA deadline has been extended to the May NCEC meeting.

Item 9 HRB-CICER Biannual Update (paper for circulation prior to meeting)

Dr. Ryan provided the bi-annual update on the work of HRB-CICER, in the area of evidence synthesis, budget impact assessment and training. The Committee thanked Dr Ryan for the comprehensive programme of work carried out to date.

Item 10 NCEC Annual Report 2017 (circulation of draft prior to the meeting)

The published Report was presented to the Committee. It has been sent by the Chair to the Minister.

Item 11 NCEC Events in 2018

(a) Meeting dates in 2018: 24th May; 20th September, 25th October.

(b) NPSO Conference dates: 17-18 October 2018, in Dublin Castle. The theme of this year’s conference is Communication for Patient Safety.

(c) Forthcoming launches in Q2&3: EMEWS, Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus and Implementation Framework

Action 3: Confirm dates of launches when available.

Actions Arising

Action 1	Letter and report to go to the Chair of the CG-044 (diabetes) outlining the decision and NCEC recommendations.	CEU
Action 2	The NCEC agreed to support the commissioning of a guideline on massive haemorrhage. The Chair will write to the Minister advising of same.	CEU
Action 3	Confirm dates of launches when available	CEU

Dr. Karen Ryan
Chair