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HealthTech Programme

Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Unconfirmed

**Date and time:** Thursday, 10 July 2025

**Location:** Via Zoom

**Attendees**

# Committee members present

1. Professor Simon Bach (Chair) Present for all items
2. Mr Christopher Adams Present for all items
3. Ms Dawn Lee Present for all items
4. Professor Dhiraj Tripathi Present for all items
5. Dr Jurjees Hassan 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 Sandeep Singh Randhawa Present for all items
12. Dr Stuart Smith Present for all items
13. Professor Tim Kinnaird Present for all items

# NICE staff present:

Amy Crossley – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Aleix Rowlandson – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Professor Anthony Akobeng – Consultant Clinical Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Astrid Aregui – Senior Guidance Content Designer

Charlotte Pelekanou – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Corrina Purdue – Project Manager, HealthTech Programme

Ella Van Bergen – Committee Coordinator, HealthTech Programme

Vincent Ogba – Committee Administrator, HealthTech Programme

Emily Eaton Turner – Associate Director, HealthTech Programme

Helen Barnett – Senior Guidance Content Designer

Helen Gallo – Senior Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Ivan Maslyankov – Senior Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Kim Carter – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Nancy Pursey – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Peter Smolej – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Xia Li – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

**External group representatives present:**

Beth Carson, Pentax Medical Present for item 4

David Hedrick, Pentax Medical Present for item 4

# External Observers present:

Suvitesh Luthra – Consultant Cardiac Surgeon Present for all items

Rick Body – Honorary Consultant in Emergency Medicine at Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust Present for all items

Louise Loughlin – Head of Yellow Card Strategic Development, MHRA

Present for all items

# Clinical experts Present:

Vinay Seghal, Consultant Gastroenterologist, University College London Hospital

Present for item 4

Pradeep Bhandari, Consultant Gastroenterologist, Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust Present for item 4

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 Tom Clutton-Brock, Angus McNair, Augusto Azuara-Blanco, Conrad Harrison and Veena Soni.
2. News and announcements
   1. The Chair welcomed two observers: the new Chair of IPAC, Rick Body and new committee member, Suvitesh Luthra.
   2. The Chair announced that James Tysome has resigned from IPAC effective immediately. The Chair thanked James for his long service on IPAC both as a member and Vice Chair. The Chair announced that we will be recruiting for a new ENT representative for IPAC.
3. Minutes from the last meeting

3.1 The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on 08/05/2025.

1. NNP of IP1507/2 Balloon Cryoablation to treat Barrett’s Oesophagus
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the invited clinical experts, members of the public and company representatives from Pentax Medical
      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 Christopher Adams, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Balloon Cryoablation to treat Barrett’s Oesophagus
  1. Part 2 – Closed session

Company representatives, clinical experts and members of the public were thanked and asked to leave the meeting at 10:41

* + 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. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) will be held on 14/08/2025 and will start promptly at 09:30.