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# Highly Specialised Technologies Evaluation Committee (HSTEC) meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Date:** Thursday 13 March 2025

**Location:** Via Zoom

## Attendees

Committee members present

1. Dr Paul Arundel (Chair) Present for all items
2. Professor Iolo Doull (Vice Chair) Present for all items
3. Carrie Gardner Present for all items
4. Tina Garvey Present for all items
5. Professor Jonathan Ives Present for all items
6. Dr Natalia Kunst Present for all items
7. Professor Dusko Ilic Present for all items
8. Stuart Mealing Present for all items
9. Sara Payne Items 4.1.3 to 4.3.2
10. Angharad Shambler Present for all items

NICE staff (key players) present

Emily Crowe, Associate Director Present for all items

Jeremy Powell, Project Manager Present for all items

Albany Chandler, Health Technology Assessment Adviser Present for all items

Alice Bell, Health Technology Assessment Analyst Present for all items

Enna Christmas, Health Technology Assessment Analyst Present for all items

External assessment group representatives present

Dawn Lee, PenTAG Items 1.1 to 4.2.1

Clinical & NHS England experts present

Jenny Seligmann, Professor of Gastrointestinal Oncology; Honorary Consultant Medical Oncologist, Clinical Expert, nominated by Bristol Meyers Squibb (company) Items 1.1 to 4.2.1

Richard Wilson, Professor of Gastrointestinal Oncology; Honorary Consultant in Medical Oncology, Clinical Expert, nominated by NICE Items 1.1 to 4.2.1

Peter Clark, NHSE CDF Clinical Lead Present for all items

*Please note that alongside the attendees listed in this document, there were additional NICE Staff present in this meeting. These attendees were not involved in the decision making or discussions.*

## Minutes

### Introduction to the meeting

* 1. The Chair, Dr Paul Arundel, welcomed members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.
  2. The Chair noted apologies from Annett Blochberger, Professor Ed Wilson, Emtiyaz Chowdhury and Dr Shehla Mohammed.

### News and announcements

* 1. None.

### Minutes from the last meeting

* 1. The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 6 February 2025.

### Appraisal of nivolumab with ipilimumab for untreated unresectable or metastatic colorectal cancer with high microsatellite instability or mismatch repair deficiency [ID1136]

* 1. Part 1 – Open session
     1. The Chair welcomed the invited experts, external assessment group representatives, members of the public and company representatives from Bristol Meyers Squibb.
     2. The Chair asked all committee members and experts, external assessment group representatives and NICE staff present to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered. Declarations for this appraisal can be found on the Topic Register of Interest (TROI) on the topic webpage, [here](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10165/documents).
     3. The Chair led a discussion of the consultation comments presented to the committee. This information was presented to the committee by the Chair.
  2. Part 2a – Closed session (members of the public were asked to leave the meeting).
     1. The committee discussed confidential information submitted for this item.
  3. Part 2b – Closed session (company representatives, Clinical Experts and external assessment group representatives were asked to leave the meeting)
     1. The committee then agreed on the content of the Draft Guidance (DG) or Final Draft Guidance (FDG). The committee decision was reached by consensus.
     2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Draft Guidance (DG) or Final Draft Guidance (FDG) in line with their decisions.
* Further updates will be available on the topic webpage in due course: [Project information | Nivolumab with ipilimumab for untreated metastatic colorectal cancer with high microsatellite instability or mismatch repair deficiency [ID1136] | Guidance | NICE](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10165)

### Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Highly Specialised Technologies Evaluation Committee (HSTEC) will be held on Thursday 3 April 2025 and will start promptly at 9am.