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Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) meeting minutes

**Minutes:** Confirmed

**Date and time:** Thursday, 03 April 2025

**Location:** Via Zoom

**Attendees**

# Committee members present

1. Professor Tom Clutton-Brock (Chair) Present for all items
2. Professor Augusto Azuara-Blanco Present for all items
3. Mr Christopher Adams Present for all items
4. Mr Conrad Harrison Present for all items
5. Ms Dawn Lee Present for all items
6. Dr Jurjees Hasan Present for all items
7. Mr Mahmoud Elfar Present for item 3
8. Mr Marwan Habiba Present for all items
9. Ms Noemi Muszbek Present for all items
10. Mr Paddy Storrie Present for all items
11. Dr Sandeep Singh Randhawa Present for all items
12. Professor Simon Bach Present for all items
13. Professor Tim Kinnaird Present for all items
14. Ms Veena Soni Present for all items
15. Professor Dhiraj Tripathi Present for all items

# NICE staff present:

Dr Alan Ashworth – Consultant Clinical Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Professor Anthony Akobeng – Consultant Clinical Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Amy Crossley – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Dr Anastasia Chalkidou – Programme Director, HealthTech Programme

Charlotte Pelekanou – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Corrina Purdue – Project Manager, HealthTech Programme

Ella Van Bergen – Coordinator, HealthTech Programme

Emily Eaton Turner – Associate Director, HealthTech Programme

Evan Campbell – Adviser, HealthTech Programme

Helen Gallo – Senior Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Jakob Falloon – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Lakshmi Mandava – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Shabnam Thapa - Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Ziqi Zhou - Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Leah Murphy - MIP Coordinator

Vincent Ogba – Administrator, HealthTech Programme

Xia Li – Analyst, HealthTech Programme

Zoe Jones – Administrator, HealthTech Programme

Korin Knight - Senior Guidance Content Designer

Ruth Melville - Senior Guidance Content Designer

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# Professional Expert Present:

Fergus Noble (Consultant Surgeon, University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust) Present for Item 3

**Company Representatives Present:**

Sarowar Golam (Implantica) Present for item 3

Peter Forsell (Implantica) Present for item 3

Courtney Darby (JenaValve) Present for item 5

Duane Pinto (JenaValve) Present for item 5

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 James Tysome, Angus McNair, Stuart Smith, Patrick Farrell and Paula Whittaker.
2. Minutes from the last meeting
   1. The committee approved the minutes of the committee meeting held on 13th February 2025
3. Public consultation comments of IP2010 Laparoscopic insertion of an inactive implant for gastro-oesophageal reflux disease
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the invited clinical experts, members of the public and company representatives from Implantica.
      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.

* + 1. The Chair then introduced Mahmoud Elfar, who summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Laparoscopic insertion of an inactive implant for gastro-oesophageal reflux disease.
    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 2a – Closed session

Company representatives, and members of the public were thanked and asked to leave the meeting at 10:04.

* + 1. The Chair asked Fergus Noble to declare any relevant interests in relation to the item being considered.
    2. Fergus Noble declared a non-financial professional interest as he is currently performing and evaluating the RefluxStop device under new procedure advisory group guidance at University Hospitals Southampton NHS Foundation Trust.
    3. It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Fergus Noble from participating in this section of the meeting.
    4. The committee discussed confidential information submitted for this item.
  1. Part 2b – Closed session (the professional expert was asked to leave the meeting)
     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.
     3. 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 IP2024 Targeted muscle reinnervation for managing limb amputation pain
   1. Part 1 - Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the members of the public.
      2. The Chair asked all committee members to declare any relevant interests to the item being discussed.
         * + Conrad Harrison declared an indirect interest as he works in an NHS department with colleagues who perform this procedure, but does not perform it himself.
           + It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Conrad Harrison from participating in this section of the meeting.
      3. The Chair then introduced Jurjees Hasan, who summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Targeted Muscle Reinnervation for managing limb amputation pain.
      4. 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
   2. Part 2 - Closed session

Members of the public were asked to leave the meeting at 10:48.

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    2. The committee asked the NICE technical team to prepare the Final Document [FIPD] in line with their decisions.
    3. 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 IP1980 Transcatheter aortic valve implantation for native aortic valve regurgitation
   1. Part 1 – Open session
      1. The Chair welcomed the members of the public and company representatives from JenaValve.
      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.

* + 1. The Chair then summarised the comments received during the consultation on the draft guidance for Transcatheter aortic valve implantation for native aortic valve 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

Members of the public and company representatives were asked to leave the meeting at 11:15.

* + 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.
    3. A document explaining the final recommendations is available here: <https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg28/chapter/the-production-of-guidance>

1. Briefs of IP2039 Transcatheter tricuspid valve implantation for tricuspid regurgitation

6.1 Part 1 - Closed session

6.1.1 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.

6.1.2 The Chair then introduced Helen Gallo, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Transcatheter tricuspid valve implantation for tricuspid regurgitation

6.1.3 The committee approved the content of the scope as adequate for evaluation of this procedure.

1. Briefs of IP1889 Beating heart mitral valve repair by artificial chordae insertion for mitral regurgitation

7.1 Part 1 - Closed Session

7.1.1 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.

7.1.2 The Chair then introduced Jakob Falloon, who gave a presentation on the safety and efficacy of Beating heart mitral valve repair by artificial chordae insertion for mitral regurgitation.

7.1.3 The committee approved the content of the scope as adequate for evaluation of this procedure.

1. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Interventional Procedures Advisory Committee (IPAC) will be held on 08/05/2025 and will start promptly at 9am.