

# South West Yorkshire Area Prescribing Committee Minutes

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20 May 2016 | 2:30 – 3:30

Teleconference

**Chair:** Eric Power (EP)

**Attendees:** John Yorke (JY)  
Ric Bowers (RB)  
Fozia Lohan (FL)  
Sue Gough (SG)

**Apologies:** Nigel Taylor (NT)  
Lucianne Ricketts (LR)  
Joanne Fitzpatrick (JF)  
Kate Dewhirst (KD)  
Phil Deady (PD)  
Chris Barraclough (CB)  
Mike Culshaw (MC)  
Helen Foster (HF)

## AGENDA TOPICS

### Topic 1: Welcome and Apologies

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Apologies received as above.

### Topic 2: Declarations of Interest

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None declared.

### Topic 3: Minutes of the Last Meeting

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The minutes of the last meeting held on 15 January 2016 were accepted as a true record.

### Topic 4: Safety

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1. HF had asked what members would like to see on the APC agendas? Minutes from previous meetings will need to be added to the agenda of the next APC meeting. In future it was thought that the APC would ask the Medicines Safety Subgroup to particular pieces of work, progress with which would be reported to the APC through a summary of work. If the Subgroup needs the APC to take action on anything, then it was suggested that this needs to be reflected in the minutes.

## 2. Action

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Action:

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SG to tell HF the outcomes of the discussion

SG

17/6/16

## Topic 7: Commissioning Statements

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a) Travel medicines

It was noted that NHS staff going abroad for work reasons would need to be seen by Occupational Health.

b) Botulinum Toxin Type A

Acute Trusts had been asked previously for a list of indications they used botulinum toxin for. These lists had been to internal committees. A statement needs to be added with regard to paediatric indications which are funded by NHS England.

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### Actions:

Note about Occupational Health to be added to commissioning statement and sent around for circulation within CCGs. To be added to next agenda for formal sign-off

SG

17/6/16

RB and JY to send list of botulinum toxin indications to SG so she can update the commissioning statement

RB/JY

30/5/16

## Topic 8: RAG Additions

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- Insulin glargine (Abasaglar)
  - Green.

It was noted that the introduction of 300 unit insulin at CHFT has been delayed whilst waiting for clarification from Locala. Anecdotally, the high-strength insulin lasts longer so patients need fewer injections.

- Sacubitril valsartan (Entresto)
  - Green with specialist initiation.

The NICE TA needs to be implemented by 27/5/16, under the early access to medicines scheme.

## Topic 8: RAG Amendments

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a) Ciclosporin eye drops (Ikervis)

- Green with specialist initiation.

Other indications for ciclosporin eye drops are Red.

b) Midodrine – to be deferred until receive prescribing guideline on management of hypotension.

Existing patients can be swapped onto the licensed formulation.

For consultation

c) Tapentadol

### Action

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Prescribing guideline from Mid-Yorks on hypotension

RB

August 2016

## Topic 9: Shared Care Guidelines (SCGs)

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### For final approval

- a) Hydroxycarbide for haematological indications
  - Approved following update to wording to clarify communication of blood test results.

### For consultation

- b) Riluzole
  - To be sent out for first consultation.
- c) Cyproterone
  - To be sent out for second consultation.
- d) Circadin MR for the treatment of sleep disorders in children and young people
  - To be sent for first consultation.

### Actions

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SG to send SCGs for comment	SG	17/6/16
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## Topic 10: Membership of Group and Moving Forward

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The two Bradford CCGs will be joining the APC.

It was agreed that teleconferences would be held between full meetings to check on progress with the work. Core membership would be JY, RB and SG with the option to invite other members when required.

Current members and new ones need to be asked when their preferred meeting time/day would be.

### Actions

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SG to set up teleconference meetings	SG	17/6/16
SG to canvas opinion with regard to days and times of full meetings	SG	17/6/16

### AOB

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JY asked if work was necessary on using Colomycin for bronchiectasis in adults?

### Actions

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JY to put a proposal to the next meeting	JY	17/6/16
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Date and Time of Next Meeting - Friday 17 June 12.30 - 3.30 in Stewart Room, Broad Lea House