

Medicines Governance Current Work plan

Topic	Details / Progress	Consultation	Subgroup		Approval Target			
			Formulary Working Group	Medicines Guidelines Group	Medicines Safety Group	NTAG	Medicines Subcommittee	
Formulary Applications / Amendments	Lurasidone in Bipolar Depression	Unlicensed indication. Await formulary application form from Mental Health Trusts.	TBC	TBC			TBC	TBC
	Reviewing CGM position statement to include children & young people with non-type 1 or 2 diabetes	Await formulary application form from NENC Diabetes Network	TBC	TBC			TBC	TBC
	Morphine Oro-dispersible tablets (Actimoroh®)	Formulary application received April 2024.	June 2024 (provisional)	May 2024			July 2024 (provisional)	Aug 2024 (provisional)
	Doxylamine/Pyridoxine (Xonvea®) for nausea & vomiting in pregnancy	To review current NTAG recommendation and consider adding to formulary in line with latest RCOG Green Top guidelines.	June 2024 (provisional)	May 2024			July 2024 (provisional)	Aug 2024 (provisional)
	Cytisine for smoking cessation	Formulary application received May 2024.	TBC	July 2024			TBC	TBC
	Quinine sulphate 200mg is not included for treatment of nocturnal leg cramps	To consider addition to formulary as additional option to 300mg tablets	TBC	May 2024			July 2024 (provisional)	Aug 2024 (provisional)
	Topical tacrolimus and pimecrolimus	To review RAG status and consider changing from Green+ to Green.	June 2024 (provisional)	May 2024			July 2024 (provisional)	Aug 2024 (provisional)
	NICE TAs published in February and March 2024	Currently out for consultation on NTAG website – closes 6 th May 2024.	May 2024				May 2024	July 2024



	NICE TAs published in April 2024	To go out for consultation on NTAG website in May 2024	May 2024				May 2024	July 2024
	Miscellaneous formulary amendments discussed at March 2024 Formulary Working Group Meeting	Currently out for consultation on NTAG website – closes 7 th May 2024.	May 2024				May 2024	July 2024
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Guidelines	Guidelines for managing adults at risk of undernutrition and the appropriate prescribing of Oral Nutritional Supplementation in primary care	Draft to be discussed at May 2024 Medicines Guidelines Group ahead of going out for consultation via NTAG website.	May 2024		May 2024		TBC	TBC
	The Management of Hypomagnesaemia in Primary Care	Draft to be discussed at May 2024 Medicines Guidelines Group ahead of going out for consultation via NTAG website.	May 2024		May 2024		TBC	TBC
	North-East and Cumbria Adult Headache Guideline	Consultation comments closed and comments received shared with author for amended draft to be produced.	Closed 9 th April 2024.		May 2024		May 2024	June 2024
	Cellulitis Diagnosis and Management in Ambulatory Adults in primary care; Supporting Information - NENC ICB	Consultation comments closed and comments received shared with author for amended draft to be produced.	Closed 10 th April 2024.		May 2024 (provisional)		TBC	TBC
	General Guidelines For The Use Of Hormone Treatment In Gender Dysphoria - Northern Region Gender Dysphoria Service	Consultation on NTAG website closes 23 rd April 2024 and then comments received will be shared with ICB Medical Directors and lead author for review/action.	Closed 23 rd April 2024		May 2024 (to receive consultation comments and agree next steps)		TBC	TBC
Shared Care Guidelines	NENC SCG Apomorphine injection in Parkinson's disease	Consultation comments closed and comments received shared with author for amended draft to be produced. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	Closed 10 th April 2024.		May 2024 (provisional)		TBC	TBC

	NENC SCG Ketamine for Pain in Palliative Care for patients within adult services	Consultation comments closed and based on comments received required review of RAG status, and consideration given to changing from AMBER shared care to RED drug on formulary.	Closed 10 th April 2024.	May 2024 – review RAG status with view to making RED.	May 2024 (to receive consultation comments and agree next steps)		TBC	TBC
	NENC Denosumab SCG for osteoporosis	Awaiting final draft post March 2024 Medicines Guidelines Group to go for consultation. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	May 2024 (provisional)		March 2024		TBC	TBC
	NENC SCG Azathioprine/6-Mercaptopurine in adults	Consultation comments closed and comments received shared with author for amended draft to be produced. Still needs confirmation of wording for transfer of DMARD shared care in North Cumbria and consideration of low/high risk patients in Sunderland. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	Closed 10 th April 2024.		On hold awaiting resolution of outstanding issues from consultation.		TBC	TBC
	NENC SCG Hydroxychloroquine in adults	Consultation comments closed and comments received shared with author for amended draft to be produced to proceed to NTAG/Medicines Subcommittee for sign off. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	Closed 10 th April 2024.		May 2024		May 2024	June 2024
	NENC DMARD SCGs for adults (cyclosporin, sulfasalazine, mycophenolate, leflunomide, methotrexate)	NENC drafts in progress based on latest versions from RDTC to replace/update existing versions that exist across the NENC. Once draft available to go to Medicines Guidelines Group ahead of going for ICB wide consultation. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	TBC		TBC		TBC	TBC
	NENC Lithium SCG	NENC drafts in progress based on latest versions from RDTC to replace/update existing versions that exist across the NENC. Once draft available to go to Medicines Guidelines Group ahead of going for ICB wide consultation. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	TBC		TBC		TBC	TBC



	NENC ADHD SCGs	Awaiting reviewed versions from RDTC for national SCGs – expected May/June 2024 Will then be circulated to TEWW/CNTW for NENC draft to be produced.	TBC		TBC		TBC	TBC
	NENC Cinacalcet SCG	Awaiting identification of lead author to progress an ICB wide version based on current versions across NENC.	TBC		TBC		TBC	TBC
	NENC Denosumab SCG for osteoporosis	Awaiting final draft post March 2024 Medicines Guidelines Group to go for consultation. Commissioning issues/funding flagged to ICB.	May 2024 (provisional)		March 2024		TBC	TBC
Medicines Safety Issues / Topics	Valproate	Updated ICB statement in development to support National Patient Safety Alert.				TBC		
	Isotretinoin and implementation of a new pregnancy prevention programme.	Scoping work is underway by the ICB MO team and will return to the May meeting.				May 2024		
	Opioids for non-cancer pain'	To receive updates from NENC Pain Clinical Network on work to reduce inappropriate use of high dose opiates for non-cancer pain.				Every meeting		
	PGD Governance	Receive regular reports from PGD subgroup				Every meeting		
Miscellaneous	NENC Do Not Prescribe List	First draft in progress.	TBC	May 2024			TBC	TBC



	NTAG CGM statement	To update to include Freestyle Libre 2 plus and Dexcom One+.					May 2024	June 2024
	NENC Formulary RAG status classification document	Awaiting final draft to go out for consultation.	TBC	May 2024			TBC	TBC
	NENC Position statement on iron supplementation for iron deficiency anaemia	To go for consultation in May 2024	May 2024	May 2024			TBC – July 2024	TBC – Aug 2024
	Botulinum toxin for hernia – audit due May 2024	To audit use and gather outcome data following addition to formulary in March 2023.					TBC – July 2024	