

Independent High Risk AGP Panel

Sixth Meeting on 20th October 2020

10:00-11:30

Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Welcome, introductions and apologies.

1. Professor Jacqui Reilly welcomed attendees to the sixth meeting of the Independent High-Risk Aerosol-Generating Procedure (AGP) Panel. Ema Swingwood was welcomed as a new member of the panel, invited by the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) for her physiotherapy expertise.
2. The attendees were as follows: Jacqui Reilly (Chair), Alistair Leanord, Nick Murch, David Jenkins, David Farren Gail Carson, Mel Burden, Cariad Evans, Shaun Fitzgerald and Jordan Charlesworth (Secretariat), Kerry Broom (Secretariat), Viviana Finistrella (Secretariat).
3. Apologies were noted from Martin Llewelyn and Jennie Wilson.

Review and approval of minutes and actions

4. The minutes were agreed as factually correct with no further comments. Actions from the previous meeting were updated.

Update on the systematic review (SR) by the associated subgroup

5. The panel discussed a draft background section to the SR, which had been circulated prior to the meeting and feedback requested. The content of the draft was approved in principle and all formatting and editorial feedback were broadly agreed, for actioning by named panel members.

Update on procedures requests

6. A number of new requests that have been received by the secretariat were presented to the panel, including a request from the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT), the AGP Alliance and a position statement from the UK infection prevention & control (IPC) Cell on cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). The Chair agreed to consult with the IPC Cell on how they have reached their current position on CPR

Final Terms of Reference (ToR) for publication and internal process document

7. The final ToR for the Independent High Risk AGP Panel was circulated ahead of the meeting for panel consideration. Both documents were approved by the panel.

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8. The Chair noted two additional papers that had been circulated ahead of the meeting. Brown et al. 'A quantitative evaluation of aerosol generation during tracheal intubation and extubation' and Jackson et al. 'Classification of aerosol generating procedure – a rapid systematic review'. It was noted that both papers are being considered as part of the SR.

9. The secretariat confirmed that a source of expertise on ear, nose & throat (ENT) surgery has been identified by the CMO and has been co-opted for contribution to the work of the panel.