

**How can we drive international improvements in the quality of guideline production?**

**NHS Evidence Satellite Meeting  
12.40 on 31 August 2011  
Room 1**

**Chair: Gillian Leng**

**AGENDA**

12.40	Welcome and introduction	Gillian Leng, Deputy Chief Executive, NICE
12.40 – 12.45	Improving guidance – The NHS Evidence Accreditation Scheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the scope of the scheme?</li><li>• What results have been achieved?</li><li>• How is it applied internationally?</li></ul>	Gillian Leng
12.45 -12.50	Harmonisation of Guideline Development Standards' <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the attributes, strengths and fit of IOM standards and the NHS Evidence Accreditation Scheme?</li><li>• Is harmonisation possible?</li><li>• What are the barriers/drivers to harmonisation?</li></ul>	Richard Shiffman Associate Director of the Yale Center for Medical Informatics
12.50 -12.55	NHS Evidence Accreditation – SIGN case study <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What lessons did we learn?</li><li>• How did the process improve the quality of our guideline production?</li></ul>	Sara Twaddle Director of Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network (SIGN)
12.55-13.00	AGREE <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How does AGREE fit with the drive for international improvement in the quality of guideline production?</li><li>• What still needs to be done internationally to drive up the quality of guideline production?</li></ul>	António Vaz Carneiro Head of the Centre for Evidence Based Medicine at the University of Lisbon
13.00-13.30	Discussion	
13.30-13.35	Summary and close	