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In the past couple of years NICE has produced clinical guidelines on three major ophthalmological topics: cataract, glaucoma and AMD. This symposium will present an overview of NICE guideline development methodology, how cost effectiveness is assessed, and key messages coming out of each of these guidelines in terms of clinical practice recommendations. You will hear from the professionals who work on NICE guidelines every day, as well as ophthalmologists who have worked alongside them and participated in development of specific guidelines relevant to our specialty.

15.30 – 15.30  Introduction
Professor John Sparrow

15.35 – 15.55  NICE Methodology
Dr Jennifer Hill, Operations Director, National Guideline Centre, Royal College of Physicians

15.55 – 16.15  NICE Cost Effectiveness
Ms Lauren Ramjee, Senior Health Economist, National Guideline Centre, Royal College of Physicians

16.15 – 16.35  Cataract
Mr Michael Burdon RCOphth President & Mr Nick Wilson-Holt, Consultant Ophthalmologist, Royal Cornwall Hospital

16.35 – 16.55  Glaucoma
Professor John Sparrow

16.55 – 17.15  AMD
Mr Alexander Foss, Consultant Ophthalmologist, University Hospital Nottingham

17.15 – 17.30  Q&A Discussion