

# Meeting of the Secretary of State for Transport's Honorary Medical Advisory Panel on driving and disorders of the nervous system

To be held on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013

## Section A

1. Apologies for absence
2. Chairman's remarks
3. Minutes of Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> March 2013
4. Minutes of Panel Chairmen's Meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013

## Section B Ongoing discussion topics

5. Update on funding for Stroke/TIA data research project
6. Outcome of GP survey regarding questions on DVLA forms about cognition
7. Feedback to Panel about new Parkinson's disease questionnaires
8. Recurrent Grade III Gliomas, clarification of current standard
9. Group 2 standards for cranioplasty and for incidental, low grade gliomas - untreated and (for group 1 and 2) those who have had biopsy only (where histology is insignificant).

## Section C

### (i) New discussion topics

10. Inconsistent standards for Group 1 drivers who have had craniotomy for AVM (no bleeding) vs craniotomy for aneurysm (no bleeding). Is the risk profile different or should standards be reviewed?

### (ii) Discussion topics appertaining to new epilepsy regulations

11. Solitary seizure with underlying liability:
  - (i) duration of licence once eligible
  - (ii) effect of medication on risk reduction
12. Does Panel advice from 1998 regarding seizures during transition between sleep and wakefulness still apply since new epilepsy regulations?
13. Provoked seizures now defined in regulation with broad scope – review of list in “At a Glance Guide to the Current Medical Standards of Fitness to Drive”.
14. Are drivers with a previous history of epilepsy (>5 years since last seizure) with/without abnormal EEG necessarily considered to have an underlying causative factor that may increase future risk?

## **Section D**

15. Points for clarification.
  - (i) Recurrent episodes of/altered awareness with seizure markers for Group 2 drivers.
  - (ii) Infratentorial grade 2 meningiomas.

## **Section E**

16. Cases for discussion - 2 Cases to be discussed.
17. Other Updates: Appeal cases since last panel meeting.
18. Any other business
19. Date and time of next meeting