

Scientific and Clinical Advances Advisory Committee (SCAAC) - Agenda

Wednesday 03rd June 2026, 10:00am – 2:35pm
Microsoft Teams (Virtual)

Agenda item	Time
1. Welcome, apologies, and declarations of interest Tim Child, Chair (HFEA)	10:00am (5")
2. Matters arising Dharmi Deugi, Scientific Policy Officer (HFEA)	10:05am (5")
3. Chair's business Tim Child, Chair (HFEA)	10:10am (10")
4. Relevant public health developments and research findings Tim Child, Chair (HFEA)	10:20am (10")
5. Emerging technologies in embryo and gamete testing Mina Mincheva, Policy Manager (HFEA)	10:30am (45")
6. Impact of the microbiome on fertility and fertility treatment outcomes Dharmi Deugi, Scientific Policy Officer (HFEA)	11:15am (45")
<i>Lunch Break</i>	12:00pm (30")
7. Rating review for treatment add-ons: Microbiome testing Rebecca Taylor, Scientific Policy Manager (HFEA)	12:30pm (45")
8. Rating review for treatment add-ons: Sperm DNA fragmentation testing Rebecca Taylor, Scientific Policy Manager (HFEA)	1:15pm (45")
9. Review of authorised use of In Vitro Maturation (IVM) for oocytes Mina Mincheva, Policy Manager (HFEA)	2:00pm (30")
10. Any other business Tim Child, Chair (HFEA)	2:30pm (5")
11. Meeting summary and close Tim Child, Chair (HFEA)	2:35pm (5")