## HOW TO TREAT IDIOPATHIC GENERALIZED EPILEPSIES IN FEMALES OF CHILDBEARING POTENTIAL

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## Learning objectives 1.

For newly people with newly diagnosed IGE you will be able to identify:

- The relative effectiveness of first line anti-seizure medications for IGE.
- 2. Which are the most harmful drugs for IGE in pregnancy.
- 3. How the benefit (seizure control) harm (risk in pregnancy) trade off can be assessed
- 4. Current regulatory requirements on the use of valproate in women of child-bearing potential.
- Approach to initiating anti-seizure medication to women with IGE illustrated by cases vignettes



## Learning objectives 2.

For people IGE where the first or second line anti-seizure medication has failed you will be able to identify:

- The probability of seizure remission following a first (or second) treatment failure
- 2. When should another drug other than valproate be started?
- 3. When should valproate be started?
- 4. Approach to treatment following treatment failure(s) illustrated by cases vignettes



