

# Nosology and Definitions Task Force

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## **Task Force Aims/Goals**

Define which entities are epilepsy syndromes and criteria for these

## **Task Force Activities and Accomplishment**

We have defined a list of epilepsy syndrome, and proposed criteria for these. We then undertook a Delphi process which involved all of our Nosology members as well as recognized experts outside of our Commission, ensuring global representation. Based on that process, we have identified mandatory and exclusionary criteria as well as red flags for each syndrome.

We have prepared five manuscripts:

1. Methodology of Syndrome Identification where we highlight the process that we utilized to define each of the syndromes
2. Proposed syndromes in neonates and infants
3. Proposed syndromes in children
4. Proposed syndromes in adolescents, adults and syndromes that onset at variable ages
5. Idiopathic generalized epilepsy syndromes

We are currently finalizing these papers and hope to have them submitted by mid February to the executive committee. They will then need to be posted online for feedback.

## **Recommendations for Future Work**

Following feedback from the community, we will need to regroup to consider all comments and finalize the papers. Going forward, further attention to etiology specific syndromes, particularly as they pertain to genetics, should be considered.

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