

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please state the purpose of the Group.• Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.• Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.• Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
1. PURPOSE <p>Seek to raise the awareness of ongoing issues affecting patients with Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions throughout Scotland:</p> <p>to include access to services, conditions affecting children, pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions, relevant guidelines or an identified lack of guidance.</p> <p>It will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• aim to identify barriers to change and improvement - and the measures required to overcome those• liaise with appropriate agencies, academics and parliamentarians to consider and agree appropriate measures with a view to improvement of provision of health care and promotion of the health of people with arthritis and other musculo- skeletal conditions• aim to influence policy decisions of the Scottish Government, local authorities and other appropriate agencies to ensure that adequate levels of resources are deployed to address chief issues

- liaise with representatives from NHS Health Boards, Universities and other organisations as appropriate with regards to current relevant research, audit and reports

2.PUBLIC INTEREST

Musculoskeletal conditions are the leading cause of long-standing illness in Scotland,

Over 1.5 million people in Scotland or 29% of the Scottish population are living with arthritis and other musculoskeletal conditions

- with 78% experiencing pain most days ,with inability to work to full potential and many reporting poor mental health and poor quality of life.
- This has an impact on the NHS, with the musculoskeletal health budget among the largest in terms of annual spend and an estimated 20-30% of GP appointments in Scotland involving discussion of musculoskeletal conditions.
- Patient waiting times for joint replacement surgery have grown significantly during the pandemic. As of the end of March 2021 29,441 patients were waiting to be admitted for Trauma & Orthopaedic surgery, which is 26.8% higher than at the same time the previous year and 33.6% higher than the average number waiting pre-COVID-leaving people in pain for many years
- There are significant staff shortages in the rheumatology workforce in Scotland -all disciplines

3. OVERLAP WITH OTHER GROUPS

The CPG will provide the forum in the Scottish Parliament to represent and explore the issues relevant to people living in Scotland with arthritis and all other musculoskeletal conditions

There may be overlap from time to time with the work of other groups such as Chronic Pain, Disability, Womens Health, Mental Health, Improving Scotland's Health and Health Inequalities but it is the

intention for the CPG on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal conditions to work collaboratively with other groups

4. TOPICS TO BE CONSIDERED

The workplan will be driven by the priorities identified by the CPG members.

Topics likely to be covered in the first year include

- Rehabilitation of NHS services for people with musculoskeletal conditions following the Covid19 pandemic
- Rheumatology workforce in Scotland
- Waiting times for knee and hip surgery
- Inequalities in access to services - emphasis on remote and rural areas-and areas of social deprivation

MSP Members of the Group

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

Annie Wells MSP (Scottish Conservatives)

Liam McArthur MSP (Scottish Liberal-Democrats)

Emma Roddick MSP(Scottish National Party)

Pam Duncan- Glancy MSP(Scottish Labour)

Rhoda Grant MSP (Scottish Labour)

Rachael Hamilton MSP (Scottish Conservatives)

Non-MSP Members of the Group

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals	Jordan Canning Professor Colin Howie Joan Kerr
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	<p>Lynn Laidlaw Dr Alex Mavroedi Professor Ian McKinnes Professor Stuart Ralston Anne Simpson (voluntary secretary) Andrew Torrance Dr Louise Wilson Dr Uwe Wolfram</p>
Organisations	<p>ABPI Scotland Abbvie Amgen British Society for Rheumatology Chartered Society of Physiotherapy Scotland Community Pharmacy Scotland Cross Party Group: Chronic Pain Friends of Highland Rheumatology Unit Glasgow Caledonian university/Ageing and Health National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society National Rheumatology Arthritis Society NHS Ayrshire and Arran/Rheumatology NHS Borders/Rheumatology NHS Forth Valley/Rheumatology NHs Grampian/Rheumatology NHs Grampian/Podiatry NHS Greater Clyde and Glasgow/Rheumatology NHS Lanarkshire/Rheumatology NHS Lothian/Rheumatology NHS Research Scotland /Musculoskeletal Health</p>

	<p>Non-Celgene</p> <p>Novartis</p> <p>Pfizer</p> <p>Polymyalgia Rheumatics and Giant Cell Arteritis Scotland</p> <p>Queen Margaret University/Department of Nursing</p> <p>Royal Osteoporosis Society</p> <p>Sanofi</p> <p>Scottish Network for Arthritis in Children</p> <p>Scottish Society of Rheumatology</p> <p>Scottish Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology Network</p> <p>Sobi</p> <p>The Teapot Trust</p> <p>UCB Pharma Ltd</p> <p>University of Aberdeen</p> <p>University of Edinburgh</p> <p>University of Glasgow</p> <p>VersusArthritis</p>
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Group Office Bearers

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP
Deputy Convener	Emma Roddick MSP

Secretary	Anne Simpson
Treasurer	Not applicable
<p>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</p> <p>Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.</p>	
nil	
<p>Subscription Charged by the Group</p> <p>Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.</p>	
nil	
<p>Convener Contact Details</p>	
Name	Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP
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<p>Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct</p>	
<p>I declare that the Cross Party Group on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament</p>	
Signed	Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP

Date	1/10/2021
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