

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Epilepsy
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Please state the purpose of the Group.2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.3. 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.4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
<p>The main purpose of the group is to address the needs of people with epilepsy in Scotland by bringing together those with an interest in the health and wellbeing of persons living with this condition.</p> <p>One in 97 people live with epilepsy in Scotland, roughly 55,000 people, this sizeable population are often faced with unique issues ranging from access to Epilepsy Specialist Nurses, employment barriers, and struggling to access social security. These unique challenges, coupled with the stigma still associated with the condition, requires a dedicated platform to raise, increase awareness and address issues facing people living with epilepsy.</p> <p>The Cross Party Group on Epilepsy will touch on a wide variety of topics in the forthcoming 12 months including new research into women with head injury in prison, updates from the Scottish Government on the Patient Safety Commissioner as well as research into epilepsy related deaths in Scotland. The Group will also react and engage with emerging topics relating to people with epilepsy e.g. NHS Recovery planning.</p>
MSP Members of the Group

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

Alasdair Allan – Convener (SNP)

David Torrance – Deputy Co-Convener (SNP)

Jeremy Balfour – Deputy Co-Convener (Conservative)

Collette Stevenson (SNP)

Carol Mochan (Labour)

Alex Cole-Hamilton (Liberal Democrats)

Kenneth Gibson (SNP)

Rhoda Grant (Labour)

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

Ann Greenall

Patricia Graham

Michael McCulloch

Elaine Collard

Ailsa McLennan

Derek Robertson

Pamela Martis

Karen Gray

Jennifer Irvine

Lorraine MacKenzie

Celia Brand

Jay Shetty

John Toland

Susan Duncan

	<p>Jo Campbell</p> <p>Jean Barclay</p> <p>Sylvia Lawrie</p> <p>Yvonne Leavy</p> <p>Richard Chin</p> <p>Rachel Lloyd</p>
Organisations	<p>Epilepsy Scotland – Secretary</p> <p>Blue Sky Autism</p> <p>Bial Pharma</p> <p>Carita Neurological Solutions</p> <p>Citizen’s Advice Scotland</p> <p>Community Pharmacy Scotland</p> <p>Division of Clinical Psychology Scotland</p> <p>Eisai ltd</p> <p>Enable</p> <p>Epilepsy Connections</p> <p>Epilepsy Consortium Scotland</p> <p>Epilepsy Nurses Association (ESNA)</p> <p>Glasgow Children’s Hospital Charity</p> <p>Headway</p> <p>Lanarkshire Epilepsy</p> <p>LivaNova</p> <p>Mindroom</p> <p>PAMIS</p> <p>Positive and Active Behaviour Support Scotland (PABSS)</p> <p>Quarriers/ Scottish Epilepsy Centre</p> <p>Royal Pharmaceutical Society Scotland</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	Alasdair Allan MSP
Deputy Convener	David Torrance MSP Jeremy Balfour MSP
Secretary	Rona Johnson, Chair, Epilepsy Consortium Scotland
Treasurer	N/A

Financial Benefits or Other Benefits

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.

The Epilepsy Consortium Scotland donates in kind assistance to cater for the CPG on Epilepsy when the group meets in person.

Subscription Charged by the Group

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Epilepsy is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.
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Signed	Alasdair Allan
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Date	05/10/2021
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