

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on

Date Group Established (the date of establishment is the date in this parliamentary session that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition. All Groups should hold their AGMs on, or before, the anniversary of this date.)

22nd March 2022

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

11th March 2025

Date Annual Return Submitted

Date of Preceding AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11 to 13 months of the previous AGM]

5th of March 2024

Group Meetings and Activities

Please provide details of each meeting of the Group including the date of the meeting, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and the MSP and non-MSP attendance figures.

Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.

June 4th 2024:

This meeting focused on the Cross-Party Group's inquiry into the implementation of the Heart Disease Action Plan. The inquiry was launched this month and invited MSPs and group members to share their reflections on the report's contents and ambition.

MSP attendance: 4

Non-MSP attendance: 20

September 17th 2024:

This meeting focused on Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest and the new Survivor Care Quality Standards, published through collaboration between Resuscitation Council UK and Save A Life For Scotland. The group heard about the new care standards for survivors from expert speakers and testimonies about survivor care from those with lived experience.

MSP attendance: 2

Non-MSP attendance: 13

March 11th 2025:

This meeting focused on women's heart health and included a discussion on the ongoing development of Phase 2 of the Scotland Women's Health Plan. Group members heard presentations from the Women's Health Champion and a representative from the women's heart health subgroup. The group was invited to reflect on the work of Phase 1 and hear about the priorities for Phase 2. This meeting included the AGM.

MSP attendance: 3

Non-MSP attendance: 14

MSP Members of The Group

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

Alexander Stewart MSP – Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party

Karen Adam MSP – Scottish National Party

Colin Smyth MSP – Scottish Labour
Gillian Mackay MSP – Scottish Green Party
Carol Mochan MSP – Scottish 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


Jacqui Roche
Mary Galbraith
Sandra McLeod
Melanie McKenzie
Shirley McCulloch

Organisations

Edinburgh Napier University
Marie Curie Cancer Care
AMGEN
Astra Zeneca
Kidney Research UK
The Heart Manual
Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI Scotland)
Stroke Association
Scottish Cardiac Society
Scottish Government
Cardiac Rehabilitation Interest Group Scotland (CRIGS)
Novartis
Heart UK
Cardiomyopathy UK
Wellbeing Alliance
Royal Pharmaceutical Society

	Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) Chest, Heart and Stroke Scotland (CHSS) Heart Research UK Scottish Heart Failure Nurse Forum (SHFNF) Cruse Scotland Glasgow Caledonian University Community Pharmacy Scotland Sanofi Aventis NHS Scottish Heart and Disease prevention (SHARP) British Heart Foundation Scotland University of Glasgow Heart Disease Task Force Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd ASH Scotland Network for Inherited Cardiac Conditions Scotland (NICCS) Bayer Public Limited Company North Amarin UK Limited
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	Co-Convenors: Alexander Stewart MSP, Colin Smyth MSP, Karen Adam MSP
Deputy Convener	

Secretary	British Heart Foundation Scotland	
Treasurer		
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.		
TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CONVENER		
COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 6 OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT (Please tick all boxes that apply)		
I, Convener of the Cross-Party Group on <X>, hereby declare that, in line with the requirements of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct, this CPG has:		
5 MSP Members from 3 different political parties	X	
Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months	X	
Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM	X	
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM	X	
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings	X	
Provided minutes of all meetings		

Signed	
Date	28 March 2025