### **Cross-Party Group Registration Form**

#### Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Lung Health

#### Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.

The aim of the group is to help improve Scotland's poor record on respiratory health and promote a more strategic approach to addressing long-term improvements.

The group will also increase political awareness about the scale of respiratory illness, the cost to the NHS, its links with wider health inequalities, prevention opportunities, and the cross-cutting connections with other parts of the public health agenda.

These aims will be achieved through working with medical and patient stakeholders, as well as through working, and corresponding with, the Scottish Government on matters of respiratory health.

2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.

Lung health conditions have a major impact on people's lives; as well as their families and carers. Many people living with a respiratory condition are not able to work, study, drive or live independently. In Scotland, respiratory conditions account for over one third of all acute hospital admissions and are also one of the most commonly presented conditions within primary care.

In 2020, clinicians were faced with the new challenge of COVID-19, the main target of the virus being the lungs. Many respiratory doctors, nurses and Allied Health Professionals were redeployed into frontline COVID-19 wards to treat people with severe infections. This has caused unprecedented disruption and change to the way respiratory care is delivered.

Every winter, people living with a respiratory illness such as asthma, COPD or Bronchiectasis, try to protect themselves from the Flu virus.

The Cross Party Group will therefore explore the issues most affecting people with lung health conditions, and will make recommendations and lobby the Scottish Government on matters relating to lung health. This is a matter in the public interest due to the high number of people living with a lung health condition in Scotland.

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.

In session 4 of the Parliament this group was the Asthma Cross Party Group, Emma Harper then applied to change the group to cover wider lung health issues. There is currently no overlap as no other cross party groups have a specific focus on respiratory health.

4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

The Cross Party Group has a particular interest in the Scottish Government's Respiratory Care Action Plan and its implementation. It will also look at the impact of COVID-19 on people living with respiratory conditions, lung health generally, and other topical subjects which occur throughout the year.

The aim of the CPG on Lung Health is to:

- Help improve Scotland's poor record on respiratory health and promote a more strategic approach to addressing long-term improvements.
- Increase political awareness about the scale of respiratory illness, the cost to the NHS, its links with wider health inequalities, prevention opportunities, and the cross-cutting connections with other parts of the public health agenda.

#### **MSP Members of the Group**

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

Emma Harper MSP (Scottish National Party SNP)

Alexander Stewart MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Monica Lennon MSP (Scottish Labour Party)

Mark Ruskell MSP (Scottish Green Party)

James Dornan (Scottish National Party SNP)

### 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	Colin Brett Marion Mackie Dr Nicola Roberts Alan Gillen Dr Phyllis Murphie Diane Robb Olivia Fulton John Wragg Martin Charters Dr Tom Fardon Pauline Waugh Colin Brett Marion Mackie Dr Nicola Roberts Alan Gillen Dr Phyllis Murphie Diane Robb Olivia Fulton John Wragg Martin Charters Dr Tom Fardon Pauline Waugh
Organisations	Asthma UK and British Lung Foundation Partnership - secretary

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	'Breathtakers' Action for Bronchiectasis
	ASH Scotland
	AstraZeneca
	Boehringer Ingelheim
	BREATH project
	Breathe Easy Clackmannanshire (BLF Scotland)
	Breathe Easy Kirkcaldy (BLF Scotland)
	Bristol Myers Squibb
	Cadham Pharmacy
	Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland
	Chiesi Ltd
	Circassia Group PLC
	Community Pharmacy Scotland
	Dolby Vivisol
	Golden Jubilee National Hospital
	GSK
	Home Oxygen Service
	John MacDougall Mesothelioma Trust
	National Advisory Group for Respiratory Managed Clinical
	Networks
	NHS Borders
	NHS Dumfries and Galloway
	NHS Fife
	NHS Highlands
	NHS Lothian
	PCD Family Support Group Scotland
	Robert Gordon University

Royal Infirmary Edinburgh
Scottish Respiratory Nurse Forum (SRNF)
Teva UK Limited
The Cheyne Gang
University of the West of Scotland
West of Scotland ILD Support Group

## 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	Emma Harper MSP and Alexander Stewart MSP as Co-Convenors
Deputy Convener	
Secretary	Gareth Brown; British Lung Foundation and Asthma UK Partnership
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.

N/A

### 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 Lung Heath is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.	
Signed	E Harper MSP A Stewart MSP
Date	13/07/21