

## Cross-Party Group Registration Form

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| <b>Name of Cross-Party Group</b>   |
| Cross-Party Group on Muscular Dystrophy  |
| <b>Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Please state the purpose of the Group.</li><li>2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.</li><li>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.</li><li>4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.</li></ol>  |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To ensure that the needs of people living with muscular dystrophy are highlighted in the Scottish Parliament and to press for improvements to essential services for families across Scotland.</li><li>2. The group raises awareness of all types of muscular dystrophy and neuromuscular conditions. The group promotes links between parliament, individuals and families affected by these complex muscle-wasting conditions, charities, scientists, health professionals and decision-makers.</li><li>3. There is no overlap with the purpose of any of the Groups currently in the process of re-registering.</li><li>4. Topics to be covered over the next 12 months include impact and recovery of the COVID019 pandemic, access to specialist healthcare, fast access to treatments which emerge, and increasing the neuromuscular workforce.</li></ol> |
| <b>MSP Members of the Group</b> <p>Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.</p>   |
| Jackie Baillie, Labour;  |

Beatrice Wishart, Scottish Liberal Democrats;  
 Annie Wells, Conservative;  
 Paul O’Kane, Labour  
 Stuart McMillan, Scottish National Party

**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.

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| Individuals   |   |
| Organisations | Muscular Dystrophy UK (secretariat);<br>Action Duchenne;<br>DMD Pathfinders |

**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.

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| Convener        | Jackie Baillie MSP                    |
| Deputy Convener | Annie Wells MSP                       |
| Secretary       | Michaela Regan, Muscular Dystrophy UK |
| 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.

I can confirm that the support from Muscular Dystrophy UK does not exceed £500.

### **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.

No subscription charged.

### **Convener Contact Details**

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| Name                  | Jackie Baillie MSP |
| Parliamentary address | MG 16              |
| Telephone number      | 0131 34 85904      |

### **Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct**

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on <SUBJECT> is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed



Date

28 October 2021