

## Cross-Party Group Annual Return

### Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Palliative Care

**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.)

22 June 2021

### Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

11 June 2025

### Date Annual Return Submitted

30 June 2025

**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]

18 June 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.

### 24 September 2024: Value-based Care at End of Life

This meeting featured two presentations:

*A short video introduction*

Professor Sir Muir Gray CBE.

*Supporting end of life care in NHS Highland: Accounting for Value report*

Presentation delivered by Kenny Steel, CEO Highland Hospice and Michael Loynd, Macmillan Clinical Programme Manager, End of Life Care Together, NHS Highland.

**Around 35 members and 4 MSPs attended/ linked in.**

**4 December 2024: Palliative Care Matters for All - Strategy Consultation**

A presentation was given by Neil Ritchie, Scottish Government Palliative Care Policy Unit.

**31 members and 2 MSPs attended/ linked in.**

**19 February 2025: Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill - Perspectives Informed by the practice and provision of palliative care**

This meeting featured five presentations:

Libby Ferguson, Medical Director for Marie Curie Scotland and Consultant in Palliative Care in NHSGG&C gave a presentation providing background information on palliative care.

Mark Hazelwood, Chief Executive, SPPC

Dr Fiona MacCormick, Consultant in Palliative Medicine, Scotland Representative for the Association for Palliative Medicine

Dr Chris Provan, GP and Chair, Royal College of General Practitioners Scotland

Aileen Morton, Senior Policy & Public Affairs Officer (Scotland), Hospice UK.

**52 members and 5 MSPs attended/ linked in.**

**11 June 2025: Impacting outcomes and experiences at the heart of the system – the Scottish Ambulance Service Macmillan Palliative and End of Life Care Project.**

Presentation delivered by Scott Mackinnon, Palliative and End of Life Care Programme Lead, Scottish Ambulance Service and Keri Fickling, Practice Education Lead (North), Scottish Ambulance Service.

**28 members and 3 MSPs attended/ linked in.**

**MSP Members of The Group**

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

Bob Doris MSP, SNP

Stephen Kerr MSP, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Marie McNair MSP, SNP

Jackie Baillie MSP, Scottish Labour

Miles Briggs MSP, Scottish Conservative and Unionist 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.

#### **Individuals**

Bruce Cleminson  
Carole McGregor  
Kim Jennifer Rowan

#### **Organisations**

Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care - Secretariat and treasurer  
ACCORD Hospice  
Action for Sick Children Scotland  
Alzheimer Scotland  
Ardgowan Hospice  
Association for Palliative Medicine  
Association of Bereavement Service Co-ordinators: Hospices and Palliative Care  
Association of Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplains  
Association of Palliative Care Social Workers  
Ayrshire Hospice  
Barchester Healthcare  
Bereavement Consultancy and Training  
Bethesda Hospice  
British Heart Foundation (Scotland)  
British Lung Foundation (Scotland)  
British Medical Association  
BSN Medical UK  
Cairdeas International Palliative Care Trust  
Cancer Card  
Cancer Link Aberdeen and North (CLAN)  
CARE for Scotland  
Care Inspectorate

Care not Killing  
Changing Faces  
Chest, Heart and Stroke Scotland  
Children's Hospices Across Scotland  
Church of Scotland  
Coloplast UK  
Cruse Bereavement Care Scotland  
Edinburgh Napier University  
Faith in Older People  
General Medical Council (Scotland)  
General Pharmaceutical Council (Scotland)  
Health and Social Care Alliance (Scotland)  
Health Inequalities Alliance  
Healthcare Improvement Scotland  
Highland Hospice  
Hospice UK  
International Association of Nurses in Palliative Care  
Kilbryde Hospice  
Macmillan Cancer Support  
Maggie's Cancer Caring Centres, Scotland  
Marie Curie  
Marie Curie Hospice Edinburgh  
Marie Curie Hospice Glasgow  
MCN for Children with Complex Needs  
MND (Scotland)  
MS Society (Scotland)  
National Network for Palliative Care for People with Learning Difficulties  
NHS Ayrshire and Arran  
NHS Borders  
NHS Dumfries and Galloway  
NHS Education for Scotland Board  
NHS Fife  
NHS Forth Valley  
NHS Grampian

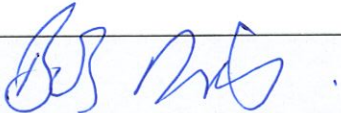
NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde  
NHS Highland  
NHS Lanarkshire  
NHS Lothian  
NHS Orkney  
NHS Shetland  
NHS Tayside  
NHS Western Isles  
Pancreatic Cancer UK  
Parkinson's UK  
Queen Margaret University  
Royal College of Nursing (Scotland)  
Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (Scotland)  
Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow  
Royal Pharmaceutical Society (Scotland)  
Scottish Care  
Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance  
Scottish Kidney Federation  
Scottish Non-Malignant Palliative Care Forum  
Scottish Palliative Care Pharmacists Association  
Soul Midwives Scotland  
South East Scotland Kidney Patients Association (SESKPA)  
St Andrew's Hospice  
St Columba's Hospice  
St Margaret of Scotland Hospice  
St Vincent's Hospice  
Strathcarron Hospice  
Stroke Association  
Sue Ryder  
The Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice  
Together for Short Lives  
University of Dundee  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Glasgow  
University of Strathclyde

	University of the West of Scotland
<p><b>Group Office Bearers</b></p> <p>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.</p>	
<b>Convener</b>	Bob Doris MSP
<b>Deputy Convener</b>	Miles Briggs MSP, Marie McNair MSP
<b>Secretary</b>	Mark Hazelwood, CEO, Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mark Hazelwood, CEO, Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care
<p><b>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</b></p> <p><b>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.</b></p>	
<p>Secretariat support provided by the Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care, in preparation for, and attendance at, meetings of the Group. (Mark Hazelwood, Rebecca Patterson, Pauline Ellison) totalling approximately 44 hours. Total estimated cost £1000.</p>	

**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	X
Signed	
Date	30/6/25

