Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Please read Section 6 of the Code of Conduct before completing this form.

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Cancer
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics 1. **Please state the purpose of the Group.** 2. To act as a channel of communications between the Scottish Parliament and people and organisations working in cancer research, treatment, care and prevention. 3. To identify areas where inequalities exist in the provision of cancer care and campaign for their improvement. 4. To provide opportunities for MSPs to learn about the latest Scottish and international cancer research and to learn about cancer care needs and services, including the views of both patients and carers. 5. **Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.** The Cross-Party Group on Cancer provides a forum for communication and engagement between the Scottish Parliament and organisations, professionals, patients and carers involved in cancer research, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care. The Group raises awareness of key cancer issues, promotes understanding of emerging research and service developments, and identifies areas where improvements and collaboration is needed to reduce inequalities and improve outcomes for people affected by cancer in Scotland. Cancer affects a significant proportion of the population and remains a major public health challenge. The Group enables MSPs to hear directly from patients, carers, clinicians, researchers and charities, helping to inform policy discussions and support evidence-based improvements in prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care. By highlighting inequalities in cancer services and promoting better outcomes for people across Scotland, the Group contributes to improved public health and wellbeing. 6. **Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why,**

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regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.

The proposed Cross-Party Group on Cancer may have some overlap with the work of other Cross-Party Groups, particularly those focused on health inequalities, palliative care, public health and specific health conditions. However, these groups consider a broad range of issues across their respective areas, whereas the Cross-Party Group on Cancer provides a dedicated forum for discussion of cancer prevention, diagnosis, treatment, research, survivorship and patient experience. The Group brings together stakeholders from across the cancer community to consider issues that are unique to cancer and its impact on people across Scotland. We will also aim to share our learnings with other CPGs such as CPG on Brain Tumours, where there is overlap of topics.

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

- Children and young people
- Brain tumours, diagnostics, genomics and clinical trials (To be scheduled jointly with CPG on Brain Tumours)
- Precision medicine and genomic testing
- Cancer action plan
- Screening and Early Detection

MSP Members of the Group

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group. In doing so please note:

- Section 6 of the Code of Conduct requires there be 5 members from the parties represented on the Parliamentary Bureau. The SPPA Committee agreed a waiver for this session that requires 5 MSP members from 5 parties represented on the Bureau;
- MSPs can be on no more than 10 CPGs of which fulfil no more than 3 office-bearer positions;
- If the group fails to comply with MSP membership requirements, the Convener must ensure this is resolved within 90 days.

MSP	**Party**
Jackie Baillie	Labour
Miles Briggs	Conservatives

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Finlay Carson	Conservatives
Adam Harley	Lib Dems
Heather Anderson	SNP
Martyn Day	SNP
Colin Beattie	SNP
Jamie Langan	Reform
Helen McDade	Reform
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	Sandra Auld Jennifer Bisset Kelly Blacklock Christine Campbell Michael Clancy Sharon Cowell-Smith Helen Fleming Suzanne Muir Norman Pratt Katie Robb Claire Seaman Lesley Shannon Alison Tait Jo Williamson
Organisations	ABPI Scotland Alcohol Focus Scotland

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	AMMF AstraZeneca Beatson Cancer Charity Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre Bowel Cancer UK Breast Cancer Now Cancer Card Cancer Research UK CANDU (Dundee Cancer Support Network) CLL Support Association (CLLSA) Clan Cancer Support Cruse Scotland Bereavement Support Edinburgh Napier University Fight Bladder Cancer Gilead Sciences GlaxoSmithKline Kyowa Kirin Leukaemia Care Lilly UK Lobular Moon Shot Project Macmillan Cancer Support Make 2nds Count Myeloma UK NHS Fife NHS Lothian

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	NHS Scotland Cancer Collaborative (NSCC) Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK NRS South East Cancer Research Network at the Edinburgh Cancer Centre OCHRE - the oesophageal cancer charity Pancreatic Cancer UK Prostate Cancer UK Prostate Scotland Roche Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation and Cancer Card Royal College of Occupational Therapists Scottish Adult Neuro-oncology Network (SANON) Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems (SHAAP) Scottish Primary Care Cancer Group SHAAP Target Ovarian Cancer Teenage Cancer Trust Tessa Jowell Brain Cancer Mission The Brain Tumour Charity University of Edinburgh West of Scotland Cancer Network (WoSCAN) Young Lives vs Cancer

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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.

Please note:

- No more than 3 named contacts per CPG - the Convener, the Secretary and one other individual who can provide information to the Standards Clerks about the activities of the Group. The Convener of a Group must confirm the name of this individual.

Co-Convener	Jackie Baillie MSP
Co-Convener	Miles Briggs MSP
Secretary	Jyoti Chand at Cancer Research UK
Named Contact	Jyoti Chand

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 CPG does not receive any donations or gifts. Cancer Research UK hosts the Scottish Cancer Conference each November on behalf of the Cross-Party Group (CPG) on Cancer. Costs vary from year to year, averaging around £25,000; in 2025 the exact figure was £25,916. Cancer Research UK covers the full cost of the event, which is ticketed.

Subscription Charged by the Group

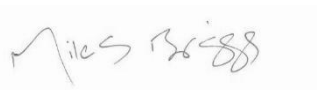
Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

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The CPG on Cancer does not charge any subscriptions.
Statement on Compliance with the Code of Conduct. Must be read and signed by the Convener.

Please read the following:
• The Convener of a Group is primarily responsible for ensuring that the Group complies with the Code of Conduct;
• The Convener is solely responsible for providing Standards Clerks with:
  ○ The names of new MSP members of the CPG and changes to office-bearers;
  ○ Named contact details;
  ○ The registration form;
  ○ All minutes of meetings within 30 days of the meeting being held; **(Substantially verbatim minutes will not be accepted and will be returned)**
  ○ The AGM return (to be submitted within 30 days of the AGM to be held within 11 – 13 months of the initial meeting).
• Groups are required to have five MSPs from five of the parties represented on the Parliamentary Bureau;
• CPGs must hold at least two formal meetings per year (not on the same day), where two MSPs members of the Group are present;
• CPGs must provide Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings;
• If a CPG meeting is cancelled or rearranged, notification must be provided to the Standards clerks by no later than the day after the meeting was originally scheduled to take place;
• If a Group fails to comply fully with the Code for more than one year in a row, the Committee will withdraw recognition from that Group.
 	
I declare that I have read the above and that the Cross-Party Group on Cancer is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed (Convener)	

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