

Cross Party Group on Health Inequalities
Registration Meeting
29TH September 30, 2011 Room TG 20-21 @ 1PM

MSP's in attendance

Malcolm Chisholm
Murdo Fraser
Jim Eadie
Patrick Harvey
Dr Richard Simpson
Dennis Robertson
Margaret McDougall

Non MSP Attendance

Jacqueline Forde HIA
Jim Swift HIA
Dr James Cant BLF
Lindsay Paterson RCPE
Colwyn Jones NHS Health Scotland

Purpose of Meeting : Was to elect office bearers ,secretariat for group and determine purpose of group and parliamentary support for a cross party group on health inequalities.

Co Convenors : Malcolm Chisholm MSP , Murdo Fraser MSP, Jim Eadie MSP
Secretariat : Health inequalities Alliance

Seconded By Dr Richard Simpson
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Suggested Meeting time for Cross Party Group (3-4 meetings / year)

Thursday at 1pm the Scottish Parliament

Workstreams: Yet to be determined

Proposed Future Speakers: Sir Harry Burns
Prof Graham Watt (Deep end Project)
Richard Wilkinson

Laurence Gruer

Group discussion centred round the need for an evidenced based approach which was collaborative and recognized the complexity of the nature of health inequalities in Scotland and would take account of the range of views, opinions and broad causes of those inequalities.

Of note is the fact this cross party group has attracted cross party co convenor support.

Next meeting :- November 24th at 1pm
Committee Room 6

Subject to Standards Committee Approval of Cross Party group

<u>Actions</u>	<u>Timing</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Completed</u>
HIA to draft group purpose and circulate to group for comment	Immediately	HIA	Yes
Registration of Forms to Standards Committee	ASAP	Malcolm Chisholm	TBC
Room to be booked for 24 th November at 1pm	ASAP	Malcom Chisholm	Yes
Obtain deep end articles for circulation Graham Watt	Immediately	HIA	email sent to Prof
Link to Select Committee Report	Immediately	HIA	Completed

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