

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on End of Life Choices

### PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
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.
4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

1. The purpose of the group is to discuss and raise awareness of issues around assisted dying and end of life choices.
2. Assisted dying is an issue with considerable public support, which many Scots wish to see offered as an alternative alongside palliative care. This CPG will provide a space for detailed discussion of the wider legal, medical, ethical and sociological aspects of this highly complex issue.
3. There is potential for overlap with the CPG Palliative Care, as both groups have an interest in end of life issues. This CPG is intended to focus on one particular issue – assisted dying – in great detail, and as such overlap will be minimised.  
There is a theoretical overlap with the CPG on Funerals and Bereavement, however as their focus is on issues relating to the funeral industry, this is expected to be minimal.  
Due to the focus of this group, is not anticipated that there will be overlap with the work of any other CPGs.
4. Proposed topics for discussion including the legal standing of Advance Directives within Scotland, the impact of current legislation on pharmaceutical medicines if assisted dying were to be legalised, the sociological impact of assisted dying in other countries and all other related aspects regarding End of Life Choices.

### MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

George Adam – Scottish National Party  
 Jackson Carlaw – Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party  
 Patrick Harvie – Scottish Green Party  
 Ross Greer – Scottish Green Party  
 Liam McArthur – Scottish Liberal Democrats  
 Mary Fee – Scottish Labour

**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	Amanda Ward
Organisations	Friends at the End (FATE) Dignity in Dying (DiD)

**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	George Adam MSP
Deputy Convener	Jackson Carlaw MSP
Secretary	Amanda Ward
Treasurer	Amanda Ward

**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.

Friends at the End will cover costs for catering, possible speaker expenses and secretariat but consider that these costs will not exceed £500 per annum.

**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 End of Life Choices is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed

Date