

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Lung Health

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 creation of the new Cross Party Group on Lung Health would allow for discussion of the **prevention, care, and treatment** of respiratory health between Members of the Scottish Parliament, people affected by lung conditions, third sector organisations and health care professionals.

Proposed Aims of CPG on Lung Health

- I. Help improve Scotland's poor record on respiratory health and promote a more strategic approach to addressing long-term improvements.
- II. Increase political awareness about the scale of respiratory illness, the cost to the NHS, its links with wider health inequalities, prevention opportunities, and the cross-cutting connections with other parts of the public health agenda.

Proposed Objectives of CPG on Lung Health

- I. Bring collective expertise and experience to parliament, including that of people affected by respiratory conditions, to share evidence and research, and campaign for change.
- II. Highlight to parliament areas of challenge in policy or service provision and identify the barriers to change.
- III. Reduce unwanted variation in clinical practice to achieve optimal outcomes, including disinvestment in unsuccessful treatment where appropriate.

- IV. Ensure government policies work to improve care and services for people with lung disease, by advising and supporting MSPs in identifying evidence-based solutions.
- V. Highlight in parliament new or emerging issues and opportunities affecting respiratory health and care.

2. Scotland has one of the poorest records of lung disease in Europe, with it being the cause of death of one in five people. Unlike heart disease and stroke, lung disease is not a national clinical priority in Scotland. However the rate of deaths from lung disease is increasing - in 2015, the number of deaths from respiratory system diseases (excluding lung cancer) was greater than the number from coronary heart disease for the first time. Urban Scotland has the highest death from lung disease in the UK.

To help tackle this, respiratory health needs to be given a greater profile on the parliamentary agenda. Creating a Cross-Party Group (CPG) is the first step and is supported by Scotland's two leading charities on respiratory health, British Lung Foundation Scotland and Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland. The scale of the problem is such as that it warrants a distinct CPG which will bring together MSPs with experts and key stakeholders, including those affected by respiratory illness to look at how to drive forward change.

3. At present, the Scottish Parliament has Cross Party Groups that meet to discuss a range of health conditions including cancer, heart disease and stroke. However, there is no Cross-Party Group that has respiratory health as part of its remit.
4. Proposed topics of first 4 meetings:
 - Prevention and promotion
 - Efficiency and equity
 - Coordination and consistency of service delivery and provision
 - Digital optimisation; use of informatics and intelligence

Given the cross-cutting links, we will explore opportunities for joint meetings with other CPGs such as Health Inequalities, and Older People.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Emma Harper MSP (SNP), Anas Sarwar MSP (Labour), Mark Ruskell MSP (Green), Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP (Liberal Democrat), Alexander Burnett MSP (Conservative)

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

Organisations

- Asthma UK
- ASH Scotland
- Breatheasy Clackmannanshire
- British Lung Foundation Scotland
- Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland
- Community Pharmacy Scotland
- Glasgow City Integration Joint Board
- Glasgow Royal Infirmary
- Health Improvement Scotland
- MND Scotland
- National Advisory Group for Respiratory MCNs
- NHS Highlands
- NHS Lanarkshire
- NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
- NHS National Services Scotland
- Scottish Thoracic Society

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

Emma Harper MSP (SNP)

Deputy Convener	Mark Ruskell MSP (Scottish Greens)
Secretary	Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland; British Lung Foundation Scotland
Treasurer	
<p>FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS</p> <p>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.</p>	
<p><i>Costs for catering and secretariat support will be met by Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland and the British Lung Foundation, with an estimated catering cost of £100 per meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Secretariat support is estimated to comprise approximately 2 days of administrative work for each meeting of the Cross Party Group at an approximate value of £100 per day.</i></p> <p><i>Assuming the CPG convenes for the intended 4 meetings during a 12 month period, financial benefits received are therefore estimated at £1,200.</i></p>	
<p>SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP</p> <p>Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.</p>	
None	
<p>CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS</p>	
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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT	
I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Lung Health is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.	
Signed	
Date	