

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Chronic Pain
DATE GROUP APPROVED
23 rd May 2012
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
5 th June 2013
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.
Group Purpose
The aim of the Group is to raise awareness of how those with chronic pain are treated and to work for earlier and better care. The Group aims to raise awareness of the condition amongst parliamentarians, to influence legislation and policy makers in order to improve the lives of people affected. Highlights 2012-2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved communication within the CPG• 36 Parliamentary Questions tabled by Jackie Baillie MSP• Government motion tabled and debated in the Chamber where there was unanimous agreement to some of the CPG's key campaign points - improving services and ending sending pain patients as far as Bath for inpatient treatment. "• Public Health Ministerial Visit to the CPG• CPG Chronic Pain petition led by Susan Archibald, Archibald Foundation, submitted and being investigated by the Petitions Committee• New MSP Members- Malcolm Chisholm MSP , Dr Richard Simpson and Michael McMahon MSP• 10 + New members welcomed to the Group• Successful Joint CPG meeting with the CPG on Musculo-skeletal Conditions

September 12th 2012 – Meeting chaired by Jackie Baillie MSP.

We welcomed welcome Prof. Martijn Steultjens, Professor of Musculoskeletal Health at Glasgow Caledonian University to discuss how musculoskeletal conditions produce a considerable amount of chronic pain suffering,

The group also discussed the Audit of Chronic Pain Services in Scotland, the development of a Chronic Pain Petition and CPG group objectives. The speed and effectiveness of progress was the main concern.

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October 31st Meeting – Meeting chaired by John Wilson MSP

3 MSP's, 31 non MSP's attended. 20 apologies received.

Meeting with the Minister for public Health Michael Matheson. Questions from the CPG were invited ,reviewed and discussed by the Minister . The meeting unfortunately was late to start and due to the limited time with the Minister not all questions were addressed however all were addressed in writing at a later date. The overall feeling of respondents was that there were not many clear answers to questions. Response also criticised the Update Report on Chronic Pain Services, saying it missed facts on staffing, waiting lists, etc. The Report was published a few days before the meeting.

4 MSP's 32 Non MSP's Apologies were noted

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January 23rd 2013 – Meeting chaired by Jackson Carlaw MSP

No external speakers were present at this meeting . The group utilized the meeting time to discuss the following : HIS Report, Pain Petition, Media Coverage, Scottish Chronic Pain Centre, Political Questions- recently filed and answered for Jackie Baillie MSP, Pain Conference etc.

3 MSP's 17 non MSP's, 26 apologies noted.

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March 13th Joint Meeting with MSK CPG – Meeting chaired by Jim Eadie MSP/ Jackie Baillie MSP

3 Speakers at this meeting

1. **National MSK Design** – Dr Sarah Mitchell, National Programme Manager Rehabilitation
2. **Pharmacy Chronic Pain Poster Campaign** – Aileen Bryson, Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS)
3. **Towards Appropriate Care for Patients with Chronic Pain and Musculoskeletal Conditions** - Professor Martijn Steultjens, Professor of Musculoskeletal Health, Glasgow Caledonian University

2 MSP's, 31 non MSP's

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May 29th AGM – Meeting chaired by John Wilson MSP

MSP Co convenors re elected

Jackie Baillie MSP

Jackson Carlaw MSP

John Wilson MSP

Secretariat re elected Jacquie Forde

No treasurer nominated as monies not held by CPG

During the meeting proper the group discussed the Chronic Pain debate held in the Parliament led by Cabinet secretary on Health and Wellbeing that afternoon which discussed the need for improvements to services and resources to tackle chronic pain in Scotland. The group awaits the official consultation document and will respond appropriately.

John Glennie , Acting CEO of HIS attended the meeting and will work closely with the group to ensure that all information exchanges are transparent and timely .

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MSP attendance 3 MSP's , 41 Non MSP's and 23 Apologies noted

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names of all MSP members of the Group. Note that only names need to be provided, no party designation or other information is required.

Jackie Baillie MSP

Jackson Carlaw MSP

John Wilson MSP

Dr Richard Simpson MSP

Michael McMahon MSP

Malcolm Chisholm MSP

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.

Organisations	<p>The Wellbeing Alliance</p> <p>Action on Pain (Charity)</p> <p>Community Pharmacy Scotland</p> <p>Royal Pharmaceutical Society</p> <p>ABPI Scotland</p> <p>Health Improvement Scotland</p> <p>Pfizer</p> <p>Gruenthal</p> <p>Leuchie House</p> <p>The Alliance</p> <p>Medtronic</p> <p>Pain Association</p> <p>Pain Concern</p> <p>BMA</p> <p>Arthritis Care</p> <p>RCN</p> <p>Scottish Neurological Society</p> <p>National Osteoporosis Society</p> <p>Reckitt Beckinser</p> <p>NHS GGC</p> <p>NHS Lothian</p> <p>RCGP</p> <p>Scottish Massage Therapists Association</p> <p>Napp</p>
Individuals	<p>Lord George Foulkes</p> <p>Pat Onions</p> <p>David Onions</p> <p>Prof. Jim McEwen</p> <p>Prof. Nick Alcock</p> <p>Colin Rae</p> <p>Ann Murray</p>

	Margaret McInnes Frank McAveety Linda Mawson Frank Mawson J McEwen Pete McCarron Martin Johnson Claire Grieve Michael Grieve Dorothy Grace Elder John Thomson Jim Scanlon Martha Heaney Jean Rafferty Anne Cassels Christine Martin Sabu James Janette Barrie Pat Roche Heather Cameron
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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.

Convener	Jackie Baillie MSP, John Wilson MSP, Jackson Carlaw MSP
Deputy Convener	n/a
Secretary	Jacquie Forde
Treasurer	N/A

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) received 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.

Details of material support should include the name of the individual providing support, the value of this support over the year, an estimate of the time spent providing this support and the name of the organisation that this individual is employed by / affiliated to in providing this support.

Groups should provide details of the date on which the benefit was received, the value of the benefit and a brief description of the benefit.

None

Secretariat support supplied on a voluntary basis by Jacquie Forde

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

No subscriptions

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

Name	
Parliamentary address	
Telephone number	