

## CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ANNUAL RETURN FORM

<b>1. GROUP NAME <i>Code of Conduct 6.2.4</i></b> Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title <i>Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament</i> .	
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Chronic Pain	
<b>2. DATE GROUP APPROVED</b>	<b>3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT</b>
September 2011	23 May meeting 2012
<b>4. GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES</b> For each group meeting or other activity please provide the date, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and attendance figures (MSP and non-MSP).	
CPG Meetings held from June 2011 to May 2012  4 Meetings Held  15/6/11  26/10/11  8/2/12  23/5/12 - AGM  <b><u>15<sup>th</sup> June 2011</u></b>  Meeting chaired by Mary Scanlon MSP  <b>Purpose</b> of the meeting was to reconstitute the group.  <b>The aim</b> of the group would be 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.  Election of Office Bearers:  MSPs Mary Scanlon, Jackie Baillie and John Wilson would serve as Co-conveners.  Pain Concern would act as secretariat with work shared between Pain Concern (Co-Secretaries Heather Wallace and Andrea Ma) and the parliament.  Dr Gordon McGinn reported on the work of Greater Glasgow Health Board's Managed Clinical Network.  Dr Steve Gilbert was welcomed as newly appointed National Lead Clinician on Chronic Pain. He gave a detailed report on the work of the Chronic Pain Steering Group, the first meeting of the Scottish pain research community	

held on 31 March, the first meeting of SIGN clinical guideline group.

#### **Attendance**

4 MSPs attended: Mary Scanlon, Jackie Baillie, Helen Eadie, John Wilson.

19 Non MSPs attended the group.

#### **Cost**

Cost of refreshments £285.

#### **26 October 2011**

Meeting chaired first by Dr Richard Simpson, then by Fiona McLeod

Dr Steve Gilbert (National Lead Clinician) reported to the group on his work programme.

Dr Martin Johnson (RCGP's UK Clinical Champion for Chronic Pain) reported on the initiatives of the RCGP to improve GPs management of chronic pain, especially education. He described the work of British Pain Society's pain pathways project.

Rachel Atherton, clinical psychologist in NHS Highlands chronic pain service outlined the services provided.

Colin Rae lead clinician for Glasgow's MCN gave an update.

Campaigning, lack of funding and progress were debated, with questions asked around how many people are helped currently and how effective was that help. It was agreed to ask the Scottish Government whether they will consider direct funding to aid chronic pain facilities in Scotland.

#### **Attendance**

3 MSPs attended: Jim Eadie; Fiona McLeod; Dr Richard Simpson

28 Non MSPs attended.

#### **Cost**

Cost of refreshments £312.

#### **8 February 2012**

Meeting chaired by John Wilson MSP

There was a full and frank discussion regarding the role and conduct of the secretariat.

Letters received from Nicola Sturgeon and Long Term Conditions Alliance Scotland were discussed.

Dr Colin Rae updated the meeting on the Glasgow Managed Clinical Network.

Dr Steve Gilbert tabled his report although there was no time for discussion.

#### **Attendance**

3 MSPs attended: John Wilson, Jackie Baillie and Jackson Carlaw.

25 Non MSPs attended.

**Cost**

Cost of refreshments £352. Funding for the refreshments came from Medtronic via sponsorship grant to Pain Concern.

**23<sup>rd</sup> May – AGM**

The three Co-convenors, Jackson Carlaw MSP, Jackie Baillie MSP and John Wilson MSP were re-elected Jacqueline Forde of the Health Inequalities Alliance was nominated as secretary. There were no other nominations and so she was duly elected.

The Chair thanked H Wallace and Pain Concern for their 10 years' service to the CPG.

J Wilson MSP suggested that the group nominate a Treasurer to deal with any donations that the group might receive. There being no volunteers/nominations the meeting supported the Chair's suggestion that the Co-Convenors will find some-one to act in this capacity.

There was a discussion on the aims and objectives of the CPG .

3 MSP's and 35 non MSP's

Catering for this event supplied by Sodexho.

Cost – not known.

**5. GROUP MEMBERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rules 2, 3, 5, 6 & 8***

When listing members, who are MSPs, only the MSPs name need be given. For members from outwith the Parliament, the name of the member and any employer they represent must be given.

<b>MSPs</b>	<b>Non-MSPs Individuals</b>
Mary Scanlon, Jackie Baillie and John Wilson	See sheet A
	<b>Organisations</b>
	See sheet B

**6. GROUP OFFICERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 4***

Please amend titles as necessary e.g. to indicate joint office holders, or preferred titles.

<b>Convener</b>	Co-convenors: Mary Scanlon, Jackie Baillie and John Wilson
<b>Vice-Convener</b>	
<b>Secretary</b>	Heather Wallace and Andrea Ma from Pain Concern.
<b>Treasurer</b>	

**7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6, 6.4 Rule 10**

The group must register any financial or other material benefit received by the group from whatever source, where the value of the financial sum or benefit from any single source exceeds £500 in any one calendar year. This includes donations, sponsorship, subscriptions, hospitality, gifts, visits, provision of services or accommodation or staff assistance. The value of use of Parliamentary facilities need not be registered.

The details requiring to be registered include a brief description of the benefit, the approximate monetary value, the date on which it was received and the source from which it came. Where a consultancy organisation provides benefits, the client on whose behalf these are provided should be named.

Date	Amount	Description
15/6/11	£285	Funding for the refreshments came from Medtronic via sponsorship grant to Pain Concern. Total costs over the 3 meetings of £949. Pain Concern also provided office and administrative support.
26/10/11	£312	
8/2/12	£352	
23/5/12	Not known	

**8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 9**

Where a group charges or proposes to charge a subscription, this must be reasonable and the same for all members. The amount of the subscription should be registered and the purposes for which it is intended to use the subscription.

Amount per group member per year	n/a
Date subscription applied	

**9. GROUP STAFF AS PARLIAMENTARY PASS HOLDERS**

If a group makes use of staff issued with a Parliamentary pass, any paid activity undertaken by those staff where the employer benefits from the pass holder's access to the Parliament must be registered. There is no need to state the amount of remuneration. The requirement relates both to staff employed directly by the group and to staff employed by an outside organisation to provide assistance to the group.

Staff name	n/a
Title of post	
Name and address of employer organisation	
Type of employer organisation	

**10. GROUP CONTACT Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4**

Please give the full details of an elected official of the group who is an MSP who will be the contact for registration matters for the group. Initially this must be the Member who signs the declaration on compliance with the rules on behalf of the group. If a group subsequently changes the designated contact, the office of the Standards Clerk must be informed within 7 days of the change.

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