

CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

REGISTRATION FORM

1. GROUP NAME *Code of Conduct 6.2.4*

Groups that have undertaken to comply with the rules on Cross-Party Groups may use the words *Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament* in their title.

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions

2. GROUP PURPOSE *Code of Conduct 6.2.3 and 6.4, Rule 1*

A brief statement of the main purpose of the group. Groups are reminded that the Standards Committee will look very carefully at the proposed purpose of a group to satisfy itself that its purpose is Parliamentary in nature and of genuine public interest.

PROPOSED PURPOSE

1. Seek to raise the awareness of ongoing issues affecting patients with Arthritis or Musculoskeletal Conditions, and those that arise in the course of treatment provided by health care practitioners. Ongoing issues are likely to include access to services, conditions affecting children, pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions, and relevant guidelines and surrounding issues such as non-compliance or an identified lack of guideline.
2. It will aim to identify barriers to change and the measures required to overcome those.
3. Liaise with appropriate agencies, academics and parliamentarians to consider and agree appropriate measures with a view to improvement of provision of health care.
4. Influence policy decisions of the Scottish Government, local authorities and other appropriate agencies to ensure that adequate levels of resources are deployed to address chief issues.
5. Liaise with representatives from NHS Health Boards and other organisations as appropriate such as Arthritis Musculoskeletal Alliance, Scottish Network for Arthritis in Children, amongst others, with regards to current relevant research.
6. Develop links with appropriate officials within UK Government on an as and when required basis.

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

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

MSPs	Non-MSP Individuals		
Helen Eadie Jim Eadie Nanette Milne Jackie Baillie Anne McTaggart	Guy	Armstrong	UCB Pharma LTD
		Brooks-	Scottish Massage Therapists
	Maggie	Carter	Organisation
	Carol	Callaghan	Rheumatology, NHS Lothian
	Sharon	Campbell	RGN
	Angela	Donaldson	Arthritis Care in Scotland
	Sharon	Douglas	SNAC
	Tom	Downie	
	Amy	Hefford	Abbott
	Colin	Howie	
	John	Hunter	Scottish Society for Rheumatology
	Irene	Logan	Fibromyalgia Friends Scotland
	Iain	Macdonald	NASS Edinburgh
	Sheila	MacLeod	National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society
	Grainne	Morrison	Merck Sharp & Dohme
	Jill	Murdock	Brittle Bone Society
	Michael	New	
	Patricia	Osborn	CE Brittle Bone Society
	Paolo	Quadros	
	David	Reid	University of Aberdeen
	Tracy	Rendall	SNAC
	Anne	Simpson	National Osteoporosis Society
	Diane	Thomson	Pfizer
	Heather	Wallace	Pain Concern
	Lucy	Watson	Pain Concern
	Kate	Wright	NHS Forth Valley
	Organisations		

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

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

Convener	Helen Eadie MSP
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Deputy-Convener	Jim Eadie MSP Nanette Milne MSP
Secretary	Sheila MacLeod
Treasurer	N/A

5. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED *Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6*

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

6. 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	
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7. 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	
Title of post	
Name and address of employer organisation	

Type of employer organisation	
8. GROUP CONTACT <i>Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4</i> 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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