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Role profile and description - Leukaemia UK Patient Experience Advisory Panel

About us

We are a 'small but mighty' charity; having merged recently to form Leukaemia UK, and together with the hundreds of thousands of people affected by leukaemia and blood cancer up and down the UK, we want to stop leukaemia devastating lives. Despite progress in recent decades, someone in the UK is diagnosed with a blood cancer every 16 minutes.

We invest in ground-breaking world class research that promises to expand our understanding of leukaemia and other blood cancers, to discover and develop new treatments for the disease which ultimately aim to improve the outcomes for all those diagnosed. We also have an important role to monitor the health and research policy environment and act as patient advocate to ensure leukaemia and other blood cancer patients receive accurate and prompt diagnosis followed by the best available treatments and care. We have strong ambitions to develop and expand our policy and advocacy work.

Why your participation matters

Many have been hit hard by the pandemic, not least those living with a blood cancer diagnosis. As the UK begins to "rebuild" the voices and experiences of patients have never been more important. This is why we are developing a Patient Experience Advisory Panel, made up of a range of people with lived experience of leukaemia and related disorders, and – where they cannot participate or would like some extra support – their family and loved ones.

Skills and experience

- Experience of living with and/or supporting someone with leukaemia or related disorder.
- A desire to share your experiences, views, and voice.
- The ability to listen to the views, experiences, and voices of others.
- An appetite to share your thoughts on some of our work.
- An interest in public policy and campaigns may be beneficial.

Role description

- Participate in two advisory group meetings a year.
- Be prepared to share your experiences, thoughts, and advice.
- Be prepared to listen supportively to other panel members.
- Be willing to read any paperwork before meetings.

If you would like to join our panel and/or to ask any questions, please email:

info@leukaemiauk.org.uk with the subject line "Patient Advisory" by **Monday 2nd May 2022**. Our first meeting is likely to be held virtually. Please let us know if you have any accessibility challenges and/or requirements.

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