

**Westminster Health Forum policy conference**  
**Next steps for treatment and management of chronic pain**

Timing: Morning, Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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*Draft agenda subject to change*

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Treatment of chronic pain - assessing the current landscape, guidelines, and areas for future development**  
**Dr Cathy Stannard**, Clinical Lead, Pain Transformation Programme, NHS Gloucestershire CCG; and Topic Advisor, NICE Guidelines for Chronic Pain Management  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **Next steps for developing awareness and understanding of chronic pain conditions**  
**Dr Neha Issar-Brown**, Director of Research, Versus Arthritis
- 9.45 **Improving care and support - early identification and diagnosis, mental health and wellbeing, learning from lived experience, bringing care closer to home, and support and training for the workforce**  
**Dr Frances Cole**, former GP and Pain Rehabilitation Specialist, Live Well With Pain  
**Donna-Marie Lord**, Clinical Lead for Chronic Pain, Central Cheshire Integrated Partnership  
**Dr Glyn Towlerton**, Consultant in Spinal and Pain Medicine, Chelsea and Westminster NHS Foundation Trust  
**Richard Pell**, Campaign Director, Flippin' Pain; and **Niki Jones**, Lived Experience Advocate, Flippin' Pain  
Senior representative, mental health
- 10.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 **'The bright, costly future of chronic pain treatment - insights from a 2021 top ten science story'**  
**Dr Andreas Goebel**, Chair, Pain Research Institute; and Reader in Pain Medicine, University of Liverpool  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 Break
- 11.50 **Applying pain medicine research to clinical practice**  
**Professor Blair Smith**, Professor of Population Health Sciences, University of Dundee; Consultant in Pain Medicine, NHS Tayside; and Clinical Co-Director, Tayside Clinical Trials Unit
- 12.00 **Priorities for developing public health messaging surrounding opioid use for chronic pain management**  
**Dr Georgia Richards**, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Global Centre on Healthcare and Urbanisation, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences, University of Oxford
- 12.10 **Opportunities for new approaches in the treatment of chronic pain - developing guidance, legislation, and building the evidence base**  
Senior speaker confirmed from **Leva Clinic**
- 12.20 **Next steps for developing pain management programmes for sufferers of chronic pain**  
**Professor Roger Knaggs**, Vice President, British Pain Society; and Associate Professor in Clinical Pharmacy, University of Nottingham
- 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Jessica Lear**, Forum Lead, Westminster Health Forum