Westminster Health Forum policy conference:

Next steps for respiratory health services in England

Timing: Morning, Friday 1st March 2024

Taking place online

Agenda subject to change



9.00 Westminster Health Forum opening remarks

Jessica Lear, Associate Editor, Westminster Health Forum

9.03 Assessing the policy landscape for respiratory health services and priorities for improving treatment and care

Henry Gregg, Director of External Affairs, Asthma + Lung UK; and Chair, Taskforce for Lung Health Questions and comments from the floor

9.35 Managing respiratory conditions over the latest winter - lessons to inform future preparedness, latest thinking on effects of co-circulation of COVID-19 and influenza, and winter pressures

Katie Hannant, Clinical Respiratory Lead for CYP, NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

9.50 The future outlook for acute respiratory care

Approaches to reducing winter pressures | Prevention, vaccination and supporting vulnerable groups | Clinical assessment | Patient pathways | The role of innovation and virtual wards

Jim McNair, Director, Lenus

Louise Wright, Chief Executive Officer, Action For Pulmonary Fibrosis Dr Andrew Cai, Medical Director of UK and Republic of Ireland, CSL Seqirus Dr Steve Taylor, Senior GP, Doctors' Association

10.15 Questions and comments from the floor

10.40 Chair's closing remarks

Henry Gregg, Director of External Affairs, Asthma + Lung UK; and Chair, Taskforce for Lung Health

10.45 Break

11.00 Chair's opening remarks

Monica Fletcher, Impact and Advocacy Lead for Asthma UK Centre for Applied Research, Honorary Research Fellow, University of Edinburgh

11.10 Key priorities for addressing the links between chronic respiratory disease and air pollution - assessing effects of current measures and options for the future

Larissa Lockwood, Director of Clean Air, Global Action Plan

11.20 Next steps following the Khan review - the way forward for reducing smoking and managing vaping within the population

Professor Robert West, Professor of Health Psychology and Director of Tobacco Studies, University College London

11.30 Questions and comments from the floor

11.45 The future for prevention, diagnosis and innovation

Reducing risk and tackling health inequalities | Personalised care and management of long-term conditions | Patient and public awareness | Innovative approaches to identifying and diagnosing patients

James Bevan, Head of National Policy and Programmes, Boehringer Ingelheim

Carol Stonham, Policy Lead, Primary Care Respiratory Society

Dr Ameera Patel, Chief Executive Officer, Tidal Sense

Questions and comments from the floor

12.25 Next steps for improving patient outcomes for respiratory and lung health

Dr Jonathan Fuld, Consultant Physician and National Clinical Director for Respiratory Disease, Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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12.55 Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks

Monica Fletcher, Impact and Advocacy Lead for Asthma UK Centre for Applied Research, Honorary Research Fellow, University of Edinburgh

Byron Mann, Editorial Research Assistant, Westminster Health Forum