

**Policy Forum for Wales, Policy Forum for Northern Ireland & Scotland Policy Conferences keynote seminar:  
Next steps for cancer care in Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland**

*Timing: Morning, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022*

**\*\*\*Taking Place Online\*\*\***

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Paul O'Kane MSP**, Member, Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Cancer
- 9.05 **Key issues for improving health outcomes for cancer patients across Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland**  
Senior commentator
- 9.15 **Policy priorities and next steps for cancer care**  
**Dr Tomas Adell**, Director of Hospital Services Reform, Department of Health, Northern Ireland  
**Professor Chris Jones**, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Welsh Government  
Senior representative, Scotland policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.05 **Key issues for care in the context of the pandemic - the way forward for tackling waiting lists, supporting wellbeing, and meeting the needs of patients and staff**  
**Rob Murray**, CEO, Cancer Support Scotland  
Senior representative, health board  
Senior representative, research  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Paul O'Kane MSP**, Member, Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Cancer
- 10.50 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 11.00 **Next steps for the cancer workforce - recruitment and retention, skills development and priorities for funding**  
**Kathryn Boyd**, Medical Director, Northern Ireland Cancer Network  
**Professor Steve Riley**, Head of School of Medicine and Dean of Medical Education, Cardiff University  
**Elizabeth Martin**, Representative, Private Healthcare Branch, GMB Scotland
- 11.15 **Adopting a holistic approach to care - reconfiguring the patient pathway, improving provision and access, and tackling health inequalities**  
**Richard Spratt**, Chief Executive, Cancer Focus Northern Ireland  
**Janice Preston**, Head of Partnerships for Scotland and Northern Ireland, Macmillan Cancer Support  
Senior representative, health board
- 11.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 11.55 Break
- 12.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Colm Gildernew MLA**
- 12.05 **Priorities for improving patient access to innovative treatments**  
Senior representative, pharmaceutical
- 12.15 **System transformation and preparing for the future - assessing opportunities for research and innovation, next steps for digital care, and how to improve sector resilience**  
Senior speaker confirmed from **Cancer Research Wales**  
Senior representative, practitioners  
Senior representative, health board  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Forum Projects closing remarks**  
**Colm Gildernew MLA**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Forum Projects