



All Party Parliamentary Group on Cancer

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Dear APPGC Members,

Welcome to the March edition of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Cancer's newsletter.

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APPGC update

APPGC's work in 2012

The APPG on Cancer released its latest report [Effective Cancer Commissioning in the new NHS](#), at the annual Britain Against Cancer conference held last December. We are now focusing our efforts on campaigning to secure support for the recommendations set out in our report. We will be meeting with key stakeholders, undertaking parliamentary activity and holding events to build consensus and push for implementation of our calls.

Commissioning Outcomes Framework

The Commissioning Outcomes Framework (COF) was released for a one month consultation in February. The COF will be a crucial lever to ensuring that Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) deliver better outcomes for their patients. The APPGC's response highlighted the importance of measuring the performance of CCGs on cancer survival rates and patient experience.

Parliamentary Activity

Chairman of the APPGC, John Baron MP questioned the Care Services Minister, Paul Burstow MP, during Health Oral questions on how we can improve cancer survival rates in the new NHS. The Minister stated that the Government is looking into what performance measures are needed to measure Clinical Commissioning Groups against to improve cancer outcomes. Please find a link to the question [here](#).

Vice Chair of the APPGC, Baroness Morgan questioned the Government on how Clinical Commissioning Groups will be measured on their performance on cancer in the new NHS. Earl Howe stated that the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) have developed measures which are set out in the Commissioning Outcomes Framework. Please find a link to the question [here](#).

Britain Against Cancer

Thank you to all who attended the Britain Against Cancer conference in December 2011. It was great to see MPs and Lords coming together with so many people from the cancer community to discuss some of the most pressing issues in cancer policy. A summary of all the speeches and sessions from Britain Against Cancer 2011 are now up on the [APPGC site](#).

Events coming up

We will be updating you on APPGC events in the coming months.

More information

To find out more about the APPG on Cancer please contact Katherine Lee, Secretariat to the APPG on Cancer at Klee@macmillan.org.uk or visit us at appg-cancer.org.

Best regards,

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