



## All Party Parliamentary Group on Cancer

### May 2013

Dear APPGC Stakeholder,

Hello and welcome to the latest All Party Parliamentary Group on Cancer's (APPGC) newsletter. Here you will find all the information about the Group's activities in Parliament, and our plans for the next few months.

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### Parliamentary activity – ensuring the new NHS is incentivised to commission world class cancer services

As you will all know, reforms to the NHS took full effect in April this year. Consequently, there are a range of new bodies which have responsibility for the commissioning of cancer services. Ensuring that these bodies are able and incentivised to commission the best services for cancer patients remains a priority for the APPGC.

Last month, Chair of the APPGC, John Baron MP [questioned the Government](#) on whether the Outcomes Framework that holds the NHS to account is properly set up to incentivise improvements in outcomes and experiences for cancer patients. In his question to Health Minister, Anna Soubry, he called for the Government to endorse calls for the National Cancer Patient Experience Survey (NCPES) to be run annually.

Another mechanism for encouraging the commissioning of better cancer services is the Clinical Commissioning Group Outcomes Indicator Set (CCG OIS). The APPGC submitted a response to NICE's consultation on which indicators are to be included in the next CCG OIS. The submission detailed the need for indicators on stage of cancer at diagnosis and cancers diagnosed as an emergency admission, as well as the need for an indicator related to the NCPES, to be included in the next CCG OIS. NICE are due to make its recommendations to NHS England this month, with a final decision due in the autumn.

### HOLD THE DATE! 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Britain Against Cancer 2013 – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

The Group is delighted to confirm that the 15<sup>th</sup> Britain Against Cancer conference will take place on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at Westminster Central Hall, London**. The conference will have an improved agenda, with more opportunities to network and a broader range of breakout sessions available.

Further information on tickets and exhibiting opportunities will follow in the coming months but in the meantime please keep this date free in your diary.

### Cancer across the Domains

With NHS England now fully operational, the APPGC believes it is vitally important that cancer is

fully represented across each of the five Domains responsible for delivering NHS services. This is why we are undertaking an important new research project, 'Cancer across the Domains', to identify the key priorities for cancer in each NHS England Domain.

As part of this work, we will be seeking the views of the cancer community, and we will be launching a public consultation in June to find out what you think each Domain should be prioritising. Further information on how you can get involved in the 'Cancer across the Domains' project will follow shortly.

## More information

To find out more about the APPG on Cancer please contact Sam Gould, Secretariat to the APPG on Cancer at [SGould@macmillan.org.uk](mailto:SGould@macmillan.org.uk) or visit us at [appg-cancer.org.uk](http://appg-cancer.org.uk).

Best regards,

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