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10 June 2019

Dear Mr Bridgeford,

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated 10 May 2018 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked for:

- What advisory committees, bodies, or groups have been set up since 2007 to advise the Scottish Government on matters relating to chronic pain.
- Who were the members of the advisory committees, bodies, or groups and what amount of grants/funding was given to each committee, body, or group in its lifetime and by whom?
- What policies/projects produced by the committees, bodies, or groups resulted in changes to chronic pain patients and what were the actual changes.

Response to your request

I enclose a copy of some of the information you requested.

Some of the information you have requested is available from the Scottish Parliament website, using the following link:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/28877.aspx?SearchType=Advance&ReferenceNumbers=S5W-01880&ResultsPerPage=10>. Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to give you information which is already reasonably accessible to you. If, however, you do not have internet access to obtain this information from the website(s) listed, then please contact me again and I will send you a paper copy.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response by writing to Malcom Wright, Director General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHSScotland, Scottish Government, St Andrew's House, Regent Road, Edinburgh EH1 3DG. Email: DGHSC@gov.scot.

Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result, within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your appeal rights is available on the Commissioner's website at:
<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx>.

Yours sincerely,

Healthcare Quality and Improvement Directorate

An exemption applies

An exemption(s) under section(s) s.25(1) of FOISA applies to some of the information you have requested. Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to give you information which is already reasonably accessible to you.

With regards to what amount of grants/funding was given to each committee, body, or group in its lifetime and by whom, the Scottish Government answered a Parliamentary Question (S5W – 01879) from Anas Sarwar on 7 September 2016 that provided information on this for NCPIG and the Ministerial Steering Group.

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This exemption is not subject to the ‘public interest test’, so we are not required to consider if the public interest in disclosing the information outweighs the public interest in applying the exemption.

What advisory committees, bodies, or groups have been set up since 2007 to advise the Scottish Government on matters relating to chronic pain.

Dates	Names of Scottish Government National Advisory Committees
2009 to 2014	National Chronic Pain Steering Group (NCPSPG)
2014 to 2015	National Chronic Pain Improvement Group (NCPIG)
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Learning and Development
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Paediatric
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Primary Care
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Research
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Website
2014 to 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCPIG Sub-group Self - Management
2014 to 2016	Ministerial Steering Group for Chronic Pain
2017 to 2018	Short Life Working Group on Effective Prescribing for Chronic Pain
2017 – to date	National Advisory Committee for Chronic Pain (NACCP)
2018 – to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NACCP Sub-group – chronic pain workforce

Who were the members of the advisory committees, bodies, or groups?National Chronic Pain Steering Group (NCPSPG)

Name	Board/Organisation
Dr Pete MacKenzie (Chair)	Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain
Secretariat	NHS Quality Improvement Scotland
Dr Jonathan Bannister	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, NHS Tayside
Ms Helen Cadden	Public Partner
Dr Lesley Colvin	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, Royal College of Anaesthetists Scottish Board and Faculty of Pain Medicine
Ms Susan Douglas-Scott	Chief Executive, Long Term Conditions Alliance Scotland
Dr Andrea Harvey	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, NHS Grampian
Mr John McLennan	Lead Physiotherapist, NHS Lothian
Ms Iona Philp	Regional Manager, Long Term Conditions Collaborative
Mr Will Scott	Head of Long Term Conditions Unit, Scottish Government
Mr Phil Sizer	Training Manager, Pain Association
Ms Audrey Taylor	Education Projects - Long Term Conditions, NHS Education for Scotland
Ms Janette Barrie	Nurse Consultant, NHS Lanarkshire
Mr Sean Doherty	Performance Assessment Team Manager, NHS QIS
Dr Martin Dunbar	Lead Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Pain Management Programme, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
Mr David Falconer	Director, Pain Association of Scotland
Ms Betty Flynn	Regional Nursing Advisor & Workforce Programme Manager, NSPG
Dr Gavin Gordon	Lead Clinician, Greater Glasgow and Clyde MCN for Chronic Pain

Dr Sarah Mitchell	Programme Manager Rehabilitation Framework, Scottish Government
Ms Eileen Moir	Director of Nursing and Practice Development, NHS QIS
Ms Judith Rafferty	Lead Specialist Pain Nurse, NHS Tayside
Mr Adam Redpath	Programme Principal, Information Services Division
Dr Mick Serpell	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, Council Member, British Pain Society
Professor Blair Smith	General Practitioner, Aberdeen Pain Research Collaboration
Ms Fiona Townsley	Pain Concern

National Chronic Pain Improvement Group (NCPIG) (members)
(November 2014)

Name	Board/Organisation
Steering Group Officers	
Dr Mary Harper	Chair (NHS D&G)
Professor Blair Smith	Lead Clinician (NHS Tayside)
Mr Paul Cameron	Coordinator (NHS Fife)
Service Improvement Groups/ MCNs	
Dr Aileen Clyde	NHS Ayrshire & Arran
Dr Shona Smith	NHS Borders
Dr John Muthiah	NHS Dumfries & Galloway
Ms Fran Proctor	NHS Fife
Ms Linda Frydrychova	NHS Forth Valley
Dr Ravi Nagaraja	NHS Grampian
Dr Colin Rae	NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
Ms Hazel Smith	NHS Highland
Dr Sabu James	NHS Lanarkshire
Dr Michael Fascia	NHS Lothian
Ms Lesley Platford	NHS Orkney
Ms Lesley Giblin	NHS Shetland
Ms Judith Rafferty	NHS Tayside
Dr Margaret MacLeod	NHS Western Isles
Third Sector	
Mr Andrew Strong	The Alliance
Ms Sonia Cottom	Pain Association Scotland
Mr Ian Semmons	Action on Pain
Ms Heather Wallace	Pain Concern

Patient Representatives	
Ms Susan Archibald	
Mr Neil Hay	
Ms Rachel Heaney	
Ms Etive Currie	
Scottish Government	
Ms Liz Porterfield	Head of Clinical Priorities
Colin Urquhart	Team Leader
Mr John Wilson	Secretariat
Mr Adam Briggs	

NCPIG Sub-group Learning and Development

Steve Gilbert (Chair)	Fife Pain Service
Clare Clark	University of Dundee
Lynne Sheridan	Tayside Pain Service
Sarah Henderson	University of Edinburgh
Nick Allcock	Glasgow Caledonian University
Susan Scott	Patient rep
Craig Grice	Lothian Pain Service
Maureen McAllister	Arthritis Care
Neil Clark	Fife Pain Service
David Craig	Glasgow Pain Service & NES
Ian Semmons	Chair of Action on Pain
Camilla Young	MCN Lead GG&C
Linda Sparks	GG&C
Jenny Drinkell	Forth Valley Pain Service

NCPIG Sub-group Paediatric

Mary Rose (Chair)	
Mandy Sim	Specialist Nurse in Pain Management Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh
Ewan Wallace	Consultant in Paediatric Pain Management, RHSC, Glasgow
Steve Gilbert Physiotherapy representative – identified	Consultant in Pain Management, Fife
Jim Lemon	Consultant Psychologist, Dumfries & Galloway
Katy Auckland/Elaine Lockhart	Paediatric Liaison Psychiatry
Amy Joss	Action for Sick Children
Graham Wilson	Consultant in Pain Management, RACH

NCPIG Sub-group Primary Care

Heather Harrison	Primary Care Project Lead, GG&C
Camilla Young	Chronic Pain MCN Co-ordinator, GG&C
Gregor Purdie	GP, Dumfries and Galloway
Susan Archibald	Patient Rep, Fife
Shona Smith	Anaesthetist, Borders
John McLennan	Physio, Lothian
Susan Scott	Patient Rep, Forth Valley
Kate Scullion	Specialist Nurse, GG&C
Anne Marie Gallacher	Pain Service, GG&C
Dot Kirkpatrick	Prescribing Support Pharmacist, D&G
Sonia Cottom	Pain Association Scotland
Janette Barrie	Nurse Specialist Lanarkshire
Rhona Guild	Service Improvement Lead PIG Chronic Pain NHSTayside
Marion Beatson	Patient Rep, Glasgow
Paul Lim	GP, Forth Valley
Nicola Rhind	Physio, Grampian
Colin Rae	Lead consultant pain MCN, GGC
Lesley Giblin	Pharmacist, Shetland
Graham Kramer	National Clinical Lead for Self Management and Health Literacy
Debbie Steven	Pharmacist, Fife
Camilla Young	Chronic Pain MCN Co-ordinator, GG&C

NCPIG Sub-group Research

Professor Blair Smith (Chair)	Professor of Population Science, University of Dundee
Dr Clare Clarke	Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, University of Dundee
Dr Lesley Colvin	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, Royal College of Anaesthetists Scottish Board and Faculty of Pain Medicine
Professor Sue Fleetwood-Walker	Chair of Sensory Neuroscience, School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Edinburgh
Dr Steve Gilbert	National Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain
Professor Tim Hales	Director, Institute of Academic Anaesthesia, Ninewells Hospital and Medical School
Professor Gary Macfarlane	Professor of Epidemiology and Deputy Head of Institute of Applied Health Sciences, School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Aberdeen
Dr Sarah Mitchell	National Programme Manager for the Delivery Framework for Adult Rehabilitation, Scottish Government
Dr Mick Serpell	Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

NCPIG Sub-group Website

Dave Rigby	
Linda Sparks (Chair)	
Carolyn Chalmers	NHS Orkney
Linda Sparks	NHS GG&C
Mary Harper	NHS D&G
Nicola Rhind	NHS Grampian
Wendy Croll	NHS Tayside
Harinda Goonesekera	NHS D&G
Prit Singh	NHS Lothian

NCPIG Sub-group Self Management

Norma Turvil (Chair)	
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Ministerial Steering Group for Chronic Pain

Maureen Watt MSP (Chair 2014- 2016)	Minister for Public Health
Aileen Campbell MSP (Chair 2016)	Minister for Public Health and Sport
Dr Mary Harper	Chair of the National Chronic Pain Improvement Group
Deirdre Evans	Director, National Services Division
Jane Grant	Chief Executive, NHS Forth Valley
Prof Blair Smith	Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain
Susan Archibald	Patient rep
Tim Eden	Patient rep
Colin Urquhart	Scottish Government
Adam Briggs	Secretariat

Short Life Working Group on Effective Prescribing for Chronic Pain

Heather Harrison (Co-chair)	Senior Prescribing Adviser, NHS GGC
Jason Carmack (Co-chair)	Programme Lead, Scottish Government
Paul Cameron	Lead Advanced Practitioner, NHS Fife
Lesley Colvin	Consultant, NHS Lothian
Steve Gilbert	Staff Specialist, Australia
Simon Hurding	Clinical lead, Scottish Government
Dot KirkPatrick	Prescribing Support, NHS D&G
Norman Lannigan	Director of Pharmacy, NHS GGC
Paul Lim	GP, NHS Forth Valley
Colin Rae	Lead Clinician Chronic Pain MCN NHS GGC
Blair Smith	National Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain NHS Tayside
Debbie Steven	Lead Pharmacist, NHS Fife Integrated Pain Management Service
Heather Wallace	Executive Committee Chair, Pain Concern

National Advisory Committee for Chronic Pain (NACCP) (members)
[\(https://www.gov.scot/groups/national-advisory-committee-for-chronic-pain/\)](https://www.gov.scot/groups/national-advisory-committee-for-chronic-pain/)

Name	Board/Organisation	Dates of Involvement
Chair		
Dr Gregor Smith	Deputy Chief Medical Officer (Chair)	2017-2019
Members		
Professor Blair Smith	National Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain	2017-2019
Paul Cameron	Clinical Lead NHS Fife Pain Clinic	2017-2019
Professor Tim Eden	Patient Member #1	2017-2019
Susan Archibald	Patient Member #2	2017-2018
Sonia Cottom	Pain Association Scotland - Third Sector Representative #1	2017-2019
Heather Wallace	Pain Concern - Third Sector Representative #2	2017
Dr Christopher Macintosh	NHS South Lanarkshire - Representative of Scottish Association of Medical Directors	2017-2018
Dr Greycy Bell	Medical Director, NHS Dumfries and Galloway - Representative of Scottish Association of Medical Directors	2019
Marianne Hayward	South Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership - Representative from the Chief Officers Network (Health and Social Care Partnerships)	2018-2019
Dr Rachel Atherton	Scottish National Residential Pain Management Programme	2017-2019
Prof Lesley Colvin	University of Tayside	2017-2019
Phil Mackie	Scottish Public Health Network	2017-2019
Secretariat	Scottish Government	2017-2019
Colin Urquhart	Scottish Government	2017
Anita Stewart	Scottish Government	2018-2019

NACCP subgroup – chronic pain workforce

Professor Blair Smith	National Lead Clinician for Chronic Pain
Paul Cameron	Advanced Physiotherapist, Clinical Lead NHS Fife Pain Clinic
Ian Finlay	Scottish Government, Senior Medical Adviser (Health Workforce)
John Colvin	Scottish Government, Senior Medical Adviser (Health Workforce)
Dr John Hardman	GP, NHS Lothian
Jonathan McGhie	Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS GGC
Lesley Colvin	University of Dundee
Fiona MacKenzie	NHS Information Services Division
Jan Beattie	Scottish Government, Primary Care Adviser
Judith Rafferty	Lead Nurse, NHS Tayside
David Craig	Psychologist, Scottish National Residential Pain Management Programme
Colin Tilley	NHS National Education Service
Anita Stewart	Scottish Government
Secretariat	Scottish Government

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The NACCP and Short Life Working Group on Effective Prescribing for Chronic Pain and have not received grants or funding.

We cannot find any records to indicate that the NCPSPG (2009-2014) received grants or funding.

Q. What policies/projects produced by the committees, bodies, or groups resulted in changes to chronic pain patients and what were the actual changes.

A. We are unable to quantify changes to chronic pain patients, as there is currently no agreed routinely collected system for measuring baseline characteristics of people attending pain services, nor of subsequent outcomes. This important gap is being addressed by the current project developing a Core Minimum Dataset.

Committee/ group members have contributed to the:

- establishment of the Scottish National Residential Pain Management Programme in Scotland - (change: specialist intervention available in Scotland for the first time, three week residential course for patients that require intensive support to manage their chronic pain);
- publication of the Scottish Intercollegiate Guideline Network (SIGN) guideline on chronic pain (136) – (change: guideline for clinicians and booklets for patients on chronic pain);
- publication of the Scottish Government’s Guideline on the Management of Children and Young People with Chronic Pain – (change: guideline for clinicians that is also available to patients and their families);
- publication of the Scottish Government’s Quality Prescribing Strategy for Chronic Pain – (change: for patients this promotes better outcomes through focused reviews on analgesic prescribing for chronic pain);
- introduction of the Scottish Service Model for Chronic Pain – level 1, universal information available to the population; level 2, support through community and primary care services; level 3, specialist pain/psychology clinics; level 4, tertiary specialist residential provision – (change: pathways for chronic pain patients);
- service improvements undertaken by Service Improvement Groups (SIGs) /Managed Clinical Networks (MCNs) for Chronic Pain, such as pain clinics, developed in NHS Boards (2014-2016); and
- development of a minimum core dataset and quality performance indicators that is enabling measurement of clinical activity and outcomes (in three NHS Boards participating in the trial – NHS Fife, NHS Lothian and NHS Tayside).