

Poynton Patient Participation Forum; Constitution

What is the Patient Participation Group [PPG]?

The Group comprises patients of the Middlewood Partnership ('the Practice'), Carers and Practice staff. Any patient of the Practice is eligible to join the Group. The Group meets regularly to discuss Practice issues and developments, health provision in the community, and the experience of patients when using the services, in order to help improve and enhance services. Participation in activities to support health provision is a critical element of the Group's work.

Aims of the Group

To promote effective relationships between the Practice and patients by communicating patients' experiences, interests and concerns to the Practice on current procedures and proposed new developments.

To work collaboratively, positively and practically with the Practice to improve services and facilities for patients.

To build effective communication and cooperation between the Practice and patients, other individuals and organisations in healthcare, and the wider community to the mutual benefit of all.

To act as a representative group to support the Practice and influence local provision of healthcare and social care.

Membership

Membership is open to all registered patients of the Practice aged 16 or over and their Carers and staff members of the Practice.

Structure

The Chair of the Group will be nominated and elected by members of the Group in March of each year. The term of office will be one year and renewable.

Meetings

Meetings of the Group will be held quarterly in person or online.

Actions decided at the meetings will be recorded by a member of the Practice and included on the Partnership's website, no later than four weeks following the meetings.

Dates of the Forum meetings will be listed on the Practice's website and included in Newsletters.

Review

The Constitution will be reviewed annually by PPGs and finalised at the PPG Chairs' meeting by Dec 31st