

RE: Request for focus group participants: Cancer care staff

The National Care Experience Programme is looking for participants to take part in focus groups that will help support the development of a national survey on cancer care.

We are seeking participants from various roles across cancer care provision. Whether you work directly with patients or support the broader care process, your perspective is invaluable.

Background:

The National Care Experience Programme is a joint initiative between the Health Service Executive, the Department of Health and Health Information and Quality Authority. To date, the National Care Experience Programme (NCEP) has conducted a number of national surveys including, the National Inpatient Experience Survey and the National Maternity Experience Survey, details of which can be found on our website www.yourexperience.ie. The NCEP has commenced the development of a cancer patient experience survey. This national survey will enable those with cancer to share their care experiences, which will help to shape and improve the provision of cancer care services in Ireland.

Focus Group Objective:

The purpose of these focus groups is to gather insights on the most important aspects of the patient cancer care journey. Your input will inform the development of this survey.

The focus groups are used to:

- Gain information and insight on cancer care in Ireland,
- Gather perspectives of people who provide and/or support cancer services,
- Deepen understanding of the context of the survey,
- Inform the questionnaire's content.

Details:

- **Date:** Thursday 10th October (2.00pm) or Tuesday 15th October (9.30am)
- **Location:** Microsoft teams
- **Duration:** 90 minutes approx

How to participate:

If you are interested in joining these focus group, please email Erica Keegan at ekeegan@hiqa.ie. If neither of these times or dates suit, and you want to participate, please email ekeegan@hiqa.ie to arrange a time that suits you. Thank you for considering this opportunity to help develop our patient experience survey and we look forward to hearing from you.

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