

## Meeting Agenda

<b>EIGHTH MEETING OF THE APPG ON AXIAL SPONDYLOARTHRITIS: <i>Axial SpA and Rheumatology Physiotherapy: Reducing variation in service provision</i></b>	
<b>1. Welcomes and introductions</b> Welcome and introductions from Tom Randall MP. Tom to set out the scope of the meeting and its objectives, as well as the broader context around the need to reduce variation in rheumatology service provision.	<b>17:30</b> <b>(5 minutes)</b>
<b>2. APPG 2022 Plans</b> Tom Randall to provide an overview of plans the APPG hopes to progress in 2022 and how these align with broader NHS policy developments.	<b>17:35</b> <b>(5 minutes)</b>
<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	
<b>3. Presentation 1: The benefits of rheumatology physiotherapy (Roger Stevens, Chair of NASS Portsmouth Branch)</b> Personal perspective on the benefits that specialist rheumatology physiotherapy can provide for those living with axial SpA and the negative impact that's caused when access is restricted.	<b>17:40</b> <b>(6 minutes)</b>
<b>4. Presentation 2: View from the British Society for Rheumatology (BSR) (Dr Yeliz Prior, Senior Research Fellow, Clinical Occupational Therapist and Vice President of the BSR)</b> A perspective on behalf of the BSR on the key issues around physiotherapy capacity within the system.	<b>17:46</b> <b>(7 minutes)</b>
<b>5. Presentation 3: MSK physiotherapy workforce planning: key priorities (Amanda Hensman-Crook, Consultant MSK Physiotherapist and Health Education England National Workforce Transformation Team MSK Subject Matter Expert Lead)</b> Consideration of current physiotherapy workforce pressures across the NHS and plans to incorporate a greater focus on rheumatology within MSK training and education.	<b>17:53</b> <b>(8 minutes)</b>
<b>6. Presentation 4: The Rheumatology Physiotherapy Capabilities Framework (Will Gregory, Consultant Physiotherapist, Salford Royal Hospital)</b> Overview of the recent publication of the Capabilities Framework and the positive steps towards upskilling and ensuring high standards.	<b>18:01</b> <b>(7 minutes)</b>
<b>7. Presentation 5: Exploring local best practice service delivery in Newcastle (Mo Motion, Extended Scope Practitioner, Newcastle Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust)</b> Exploring local rheumatology physiotherapy service provision in Newcastle and opportunities for the scaling-up of best practice.	<b>18:08</b> <b>(7 minutes)</b>
<b>GROUP DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>8. Question &amp; Answer Session</b> Tom Randall MP and Dr Dale Webb to jointly facilitate a group discussion on the presentations, focusing on the below topic areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are people's own experiences of the role of physiotherapy within axial SpA?</li> <li>2. What are the threats to rheumatology physiotherapy provision and how can we overcome them?</li> <li>3. How can we get rheumatology physiotherapy onto stronger footing and who needs to be involved?</li> <li>4. What is a realistic aim for improving current practice and where do we want to be in 3 years' time?</li> </ol>	<b>18:15</b> <b>(35 minutes)</b>
<b>9. NASS Activity Update</b> Dr Dale Webb to provide a brief overview of key NASS priorities for 2022.	<b>18:50</b> <b>(5 minutes)</b>
<b>10. Summary of Next Steps</b> Tom Randall MP provide a summary of the key discussion areas and to set out next steps that the APPG plans to take.	<b>18:55</b> <b>(5 minutes)</b>
<b>11. Meeting Close</b>	<b>19:00</b>