

Expressions of interest for representative to join the North West London reference group for reducing inequalities in community specialist palliative care services

North West London ICB are looking for volunteer representatives to join our reference group for reducing inequalities in community specialist palliative care (CSPC) services.

This reference group seeks to bring together diverse community voices from across north west London to understand people's experiences and feedback with regard to reducing inequalities in CSPC services.

This group will support and steer the work of a working group with representation from health and care professionals, which focusses on sharing best practice and identifying inequalities and ways to address these. This will include helping to share the direction and priorities of the group as well as reviewing and feeding back on outputs from the group.

The group is currently scheduled to meet for 1 hour, every 6 weeks. The meeting is virtual on Microsoft Teams.

Role Overview

Members of the reference group will act as a liaison between the north west London community and the reference group. This role will bring key insight and feedback from communities to the group, advocating for the voices of populations to ensure their perspectives are incorporated into initiatives aimed at reducing inequalities. We are seeking individuals that bring variety of perspectives, experiences and backgrounds, who can support this work through:

- Actively engaging with community members to understand their needs, concerns, and suggestions related to inequality.
- Serving as a spokesperson for the community within the reference group, articulating any challenges or barriers to accessing specialist palliative care services or what support they would like to see from these services.
- Working closely with other reference group members to discuss and agree the best approach for north west London.
- Acting as a champion in the community for specialist palliative care services.

Selection Process

Candidates are invited to submit an expression of interest, detailing their interest in the role, relevant experience, and why they believe they are well-suited to contribute to this important work by **10th August 2025**.

In addition to the above, please respond to the following questions in your expression of interest:

1. Which borough of north west London are you representing?
2. Which community are you representing? (e.g. carers, a particular faith group, people experiencing homelessness etc.)

3. How will you bring the voice and views of that community into the reference group and feed back to them on the outputs of the group?

All expressions of interest should be submitted to Martha Halsey – m.halsey@nhs.net and please copy in nhsnwl.endoflife@nhs.net.

After receiving expressions of interest, we will review these and select representatives to join the reference group.

We are looking to recruit 15 representatives, ensuring the group reflects the diversity of the North West London community.

This is a volunteer role and is unremunerated.

Benefits of the role

- Make a difference and help improve care for people in your community by sharing lived experiences and needs.
- Be a voice for your community and speak up for people who may not always be heard to make sure their views matter.
- Learn new skills to build confidence in speaking, sharing ideas and working with others.
- Meet new people and connect with other community representatives.
- Understand more about CSPC services and how the NHS are working to improve care.

Your interest in contributing to help shape better services is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about the reference group or the role, please contact Martha Halsey – m.halsey@nhs.net.