

Agenda  
 Cross-Party Group on Autism  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Meet of 2022, 25<sup>th</sup> April (14:00-16:00, via 'Zoom')  
 Diagnosis

Useful Information

- If you, or your family & friends or colleagues, wish to come along to the CPG later this month, please register via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cross-party-group-on-autism-tickets-306303019577>. (Password: CPGA2022).
- **The Zoom access link (+ a username & password) will be provided next week to those registered, through their email.**
- We are continuing to develop and implement changes to the running of the CPG, in line with feedback gathered at the regular accessibility meetings.
- We have created a 'CPG Guide', with the input of members, to highlight how our Group engages with Holyrood and what we can achieve together.
- If you would like your comments (made via the Zoom 'chat function') to be included in the published Minutes, please start your contribution with a "C".

Reminders

- Please do not take photographs / videos during this meeting. We have not sought permissions from the membership for this.
- We would be grateful if you were to keep your comments focused on this Agenda, and the points made by our Convener and speakers.
- If you wish to speak during the meeting, please raise a virtual 'hand' and the Convener will be aware.
- Please try and limit your written 'chat' on Zoom, and try to avoid personal conversation – particularly during the speaking opportunities of others.
- To limit disruption, we would ask that all microphones remain muted throughout – except when asking questions!

Meeting

Item	Speaker	Time
Convener's Welcome (+ Agenda 'Run-Through')	Alexander Burnett MSP	14:00-14:10
Feedback from 04/04 Accessibility Meeting (+ Questions)	Rob Holland – (Acting) Director, NAS Scotland	14:10-14:20
<u>NAIT's Work</u> Diagnostic Pathways for Children / Adults;	Marion Rutherford and Lorna Johnston –	14:20-14:35

Neurodevelopmental Approaches; Mental Health + Co-Occurrence	National Autism Implementation Team [NAIT]	
<u>A Clinician's Perspective</u> Assessment; Structures to Support Autistic Young People / Families; Where the System Works Well, and Not Well	Dr. Fiona McCrohan – 'The Willows' Centre, Dumfries, NHS Dumfries & Galloway	14:35-14:45
<u>Women &amp; Girls</u> Diagnostic Pathways: Challenges and Good Practice; Counselling Autistic Women; Lived Experience of Scotland's Diagnostic Process	Lyndsay Macadam, Dr. Shirley Moore, and Angela Stapleford (Scottish Women's Autism Network [SWAN])	14:45-14:55
<b>BREAK</b>	-	14:55-15:05
<u>Q&amp;A / Discussion</u> <i>Chance for members / MSPs to pose questions to all the speakers on the items they addressed; and an opportunity to share lived experience of diagnosis.</i>	Everyone!	15:05-15:50
<u>Convener's Response</u> <i>Sum up our discussion, and check-in with attendees on possible actions – letters, Parliamentary Questions, etc. – coming from Q&amp;A, speeches.</i>	Alexander Burnett MSP	15:50-15:55
<u>Any Other Business</u> <i>We would ask that members advise the Secretariat, in advance of the meeting, about any items they intend to raise at this point.</i>	TBA	15:55-16:00
<b><u>CLOSE</u></b>		

*Members will now have the opportunity to submit questions post-meeting, which will be directed towards each of the speakers as appropriate.*

We look forward to seeing you all at the Group on the 25<sup>th</sup>!

### **Questions?**

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