**APPG on Dementia – Social Care Workforce Inquiry - Submission of Written Evidence Form**

The All-Party Parliamentary Group on Dementia, co-chaired by Debbie Abrahams MP and Baroness Greengross, is undertaking an inquiry into what people affected by dementia want and need from a social care workforce. The inquiry’s focus will be on how we can ensure that people with dementia can live the lives they wish lead, and this goal is not impeded on because the individual draws on social care.

The questions asked in this form have been developed alongside people living with, and affected by, dementia.

If you have dementia or care for someone who does, you may prefer to complete this form (link), which is designed for people affected by dementia.

***Please send this completed form along with your written evidence to*** ***APPGonDementia@alzheimers.org.uk***

**Name:**

**Are you submitting as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?:**

**Organisation (if applicable):**

**Job Title:**

**Email:**

**Phone (Optional):**

**Would you like your evidence to be anonymised?:**

**Would you like to be added to the APPG on Dementia’s mailing list?:** Yes/No

***Submitting your evidence***

*Before you submit your evidence:*

* Please be concise - if over 2,000 words, include a short summary as well. Please also include an introduction to you/your organisation.
* Please note you can also submit your evidence online via our online form by visiting <https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/about-us/policy-and-influencing/all-party-parliamentary-group-dementia>
* If you would like your evidence to be anonymous (we’ll publish your evidence, but not your name or any personal details about you), please make this clear in your email to us.
* Your name (or your organisation’s name) will be published with your evidence. You can ask for your evidence to be anonymous.
* We’ll read your evidence and we’ll use it to help the APPG’s inquiry. For example, the APPG might use your name and your evidence in a report.
* The APPG may or may not use your evidence in their report. We’ll contact you to let you know what’s happening to your evidence.

**What we’d like to hear.**

The Group is accepting written evidence as a part of the inquiry and is particularly interested to hear thoughts on:

Understanding the issues

1. *If you or your organisation provides care, what specialist support does your organisation provide for people with dementia need compared to people without dementia receiving care? Do you expect this to change as demographics change?*
2. *If you or your organisation doesn’t provide care, what specialist support do people with dementia need compared to people without dementia receiving care? Do you expect this to change as demographics change?*
3. *For those who draw on social care, what prevents them from being able to live the lives they wish? How are people with dementia involved in decisions on the kind of support they receive?*

Social and cultural identities

1. *How does someone’s cultural or social identity impact on the type of care they wish to receive? What is the impact on the individual of not providing for people’s cultural and social needs?*
2. *How is provision of care and support adapted for people’s cultural and social needs? Are you aware of any examples of great care that considers people’s cultural and social needs?*

The workforce

1. *If you or your organisation provides care to people with dementia, what training or qualifications do you provide or expect your staff to have? How do you identify any training or knowledge gaps?*
2. *If you or your organisation doesn’t provide care, what training or qualifications would you expect care staff to have?*

Government proposals

1. *The Government have earmarked £500m for the social care workforce, funded through the Health and Care Levy, for you or your organisation, what do you believe are the priority areas where this funding could be best applied?*

The role of regulators

1. *What role do you believe statutory authorities (such as councils, regulators like the CQC and others) should have in ensuring that personalised care is provide? How should this be measured?*

 Research and technology

1. *How do providers and regulators currently involve people affected by dementia and evidenced research in developing training pathways and role requirements? How could this be improved?*

**Please include your written evidence on the following pages.**