

Workplace Wellbeing – Involvement Briefing

The innovation team at Macmillan test and develop innovative ideas and approaches to find better ways of helping people living with cancer. We challenge the traditional ways of working and make sure the services we provide make the biggest difference to people living with cancer, and that might mean finding new and different ways to do that.

Description of the Opportunity

As the population of working age people with cancer increases it is important to ensure that people living with cancer get the support they need to remain in or return to work when they are ready and able to.

Macmillan's Innovation Team are looking to understand people's experience of work after a cancer diagnosis to help inform the development of new services and support to enable employers to provide better workplace support for employees living with and affected by cancer.

Who are we looking for?

We would like to involve people with lived experience of cancer to help us better understand people's experiences of work after a cancer diagnosis and beyond.

With this in mind, we are keen to hear from:

- People with cancer, who were working at the time of their cancer diagnosis
- People with cancer in employment, who are living with the long-term effects (however major or minor) of their diagnosis and treatment

What skills and abilities will I need to have?

- Ability to share your cancer experience.
- Able to recount the details of how your experience was managed by your employer.
- Access to the internet to take part in a virtual 1:1 conversation (*if this is a barrier for you, please do get in touch and we will do our best to offer an alternative way for you to share your experience*).

What will you be asked to do, why and when?

What	Who will be on the call?	Duration	When
1. 1:1 virtual interview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide feedback on your personal experience of navigating cancer and employment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The call will be facilitated by one of our Innovation Engagement Officers and a member of our Revenue Innovation Team. 		Will likely take place w/c 16 th or 23 rd January 2023. Dates to be confirmed.

There will be the opportunity to share your feedback by survey should you prefer.			
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What you can expect from us:

- Updates on the progress of the project and the impact of your involvement. This may include opportunities for further involvement, if that is of interest.
- A commitment from the Macmillan Innovation and Engagement teams to identify how best to act on what we hear from this piece of work, alongside what we have already heard from people living with and affected by cancer.
- Transparency and honesty about what we can and cannot achieve.
- The experiences' you share with us will be treated in confidence.
- Use of plain, jargon free language.
- Signposting to additional sources of support if you need it. We understand that talking about cancer can be difficult, you can withdraw or take a break from the project at any time.

What you will gain:

- The opportunity to inform a potential new opportunity for people living with and affected by cancer.
- Use your experience of cancer, care and services to improve others' experiences.
- Learn about the work Macmillan teams are doing.

How to get involved:

If you are interested in getting involved in this opportunity or would like further information please get in touch with us via email at innovationcommunity@macmillan.org.uk quoting **WORKPLACE WELLBEING** in the subject line and we will arrange a suitable time to contact you to discuss further.