



Welcome to the February Melanoma Focus Newsletter

We hope our newsletter finds you well!!

OUR MEMBERS ARE EXPERTS IN MELANOMA

**REGISTRATION OPEN: Melanoma Focus Virtual Regional
May Meeting 2024**



We are delighted to invite you to register for this year's Virtual Regional Meeting on **Friday 17th May 2024** organised by Dr Ricky Frazer, Consultant Medical Oncologist, Velindre Cancer Centre.

The early bird rate for this event ends 21st April 2024. Please also submit your poster abstracts by 21st April 2024 (250 words maximum) to jenn@melanomafocus.org

As always, CPD accreditation (6 credits) is being applied for. If you are unsure about your membership, please email memberships@melanomafocus.org

[Register Today](#)

Save the date : Please also save the date for the next Focus on Melanoma meeting which will take place **Friday 18th October 2024** at the Royal College of Physicians in London.

Call for Research Proposals 2024

Melanoma Focus are delighted to invite research proposals from melanoma clinicians, scientists, nurses and allied health care professionals to fund research up to a figure of £20,000 in the field of melanoma for patient benefit.

If you would like to register interest and an application will be forwarded to you, please complete the simple form [here](#).

Please submit your proposal by **31.03.24**



[Find out more about current & past research projects](#)

BDNG Patient Choice Awards



The British Dermatological Nursing Group (BDNG) are hosting an award event in April 2024 in London. One of the categories is The Patient Choice Award and they would like to invite members of the public to nominate a dermatology nurse who has made a difference to them or a loved one. To nominate a dermatology nurse for exceptional care and treatment, please click [here](#). The closing date for nomination is 23 February 2024.

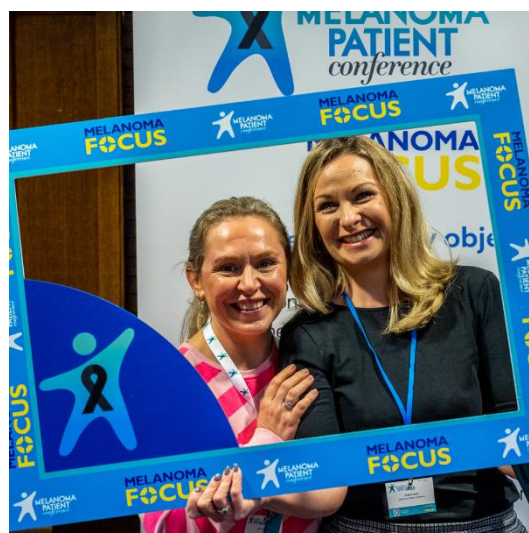
PUTTING PATIENTS AT THE HEART OF WHAT WE DO

Last Chance to Register: Melanoma Patient Conference 2024

REGISTRATION CLOSÉS THIS SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2024

There's still time to register for the 2024 Melanoma Patient Conference, taking place on **Thursday 29th February- Friday 1st March 2024!** Registration for this event will close this **Sunday 18th February**.

This year's conference includes a range of brilliant talks on topics including clinical trial updates, tips on treatment management, lymphoedema, microbiome, uveal guidelines, patient stories and research priorities.



[View Programme and Register](#)

Helpline Nurses- Team Away Day

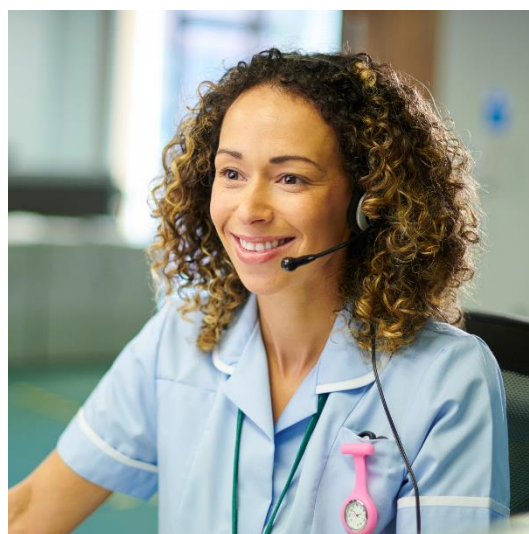


Last month, the Melanoma Helpline team, met up in Manchester with our CEO and Office & Helpline Manager. During the meeting they reviewed the Helpline's analytics. The meeting provided an opportunity to exchange ideas and perspectives, leveraging the wealth of expertise our Clinical Nurse Specialists bring to the table.

UPDATES FROM MELANOMA FOCUS

Helpline Responder Vacancy

The Melanoma Helpline has been open since 2017 and provides support for patients and carers at times when other services are busy or closed. We have a vacancy for a skin cancer CNS with significant experience of adjuvant and metastatic treatments, **to cover some regular weekday lunchtime shifts from 1-2pm**. You would be part of a friendly, supportive team of 7 skin cancer CNSs making a huge difference to anyone with a worry or concern about melanoma.



Please review the job description [here](#) and if you are interested in the role, please send your CV and cover letter to jenn@melanomafocus.org

READY FOR A 2024 CHALLENGE?

100 Miles in May is back!



The 100 Miles in May challenge is back! So get your trainers on! It's another year of working with SKCIN and during May you can support not only one charity but two! The money that you raise will go towards supporting patients, providing education and helping increase awareness this Melanoma Awareness Month. You can do 100 miles anyway you'd like. Why not challenge yourself and do more? The world is your oyster! On your own or in a team, we will be with you every step of the way.

Count me in!

Take on the Royal Parks Half Marathon!

If you're looking for 2024 challenge why not sign up for the Royal Parks Half Marathon.

This stunning central London Half Marathon takes in some of the capital's world-famous landmarks on closed roads, and four of London's eight Royal Parks: Hyde Park, The Green Park, St James's Park and Kensington Gardens.

Event date: Sunday 13th October 2024



Sign up!

Find yourself an Ultra Challenge!



Are you a regular walker and new to endurance events? Perhaps a seasoned trekker looking for testing adventures? Or even a marathon runner wanting to 'up' your distance? Whether it's along magnificent coastal scenery, or in stunning open countryside, there's an Ultra Challenge for you!

You can walk, jog or run, as an individual or part of a team!

[Find your challenge now!](#)

THE MELANOMA HELPLINE SERVICE

The [Melanoma Focus Helpline](#) enables specialist skin cancer nurses to offer support and guidance to melanoma patients and their families.

This is only possible with your help.

Please consider making a donation today to ensure our helpline nurses can continue to support melanoma patients when they need us most.



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