

## https://www.districtpatientsgroup.org/

## The Patients Association

The Patients Association is an independent patient charity campaigning for improvements in health and social care for patients. Uniquely for a charity with a remit covering all health and care issues, they work with patients directly: the patients are their members and supporters, and the people who benefit from their help and information services. Through the helpline,

https://www.patients-association.org.uk/helpline

they provide information to thousands of people each year about the health and social care system. They also speak to government, the NHS and other stakeholders about patients' priorities and concerns, to ensure the patient voice is heard and acted upon.

## Their purpose

To ensure that everybody can access and benefit from the health and care they need to live well, by ensuring that services are designed and delivered through equal partnership with patients.

The East Staffordshire Patient Engagement Group are members of the association. Weekly electronic newsletters are received which are widely distributed. The Newsletter is only available in this format, because most of the articles require a computer to access, further information, and/or attend workshops. Further information can be found on the following website.

https://www.patients-association.org.uk/Pages/Category/advice-andinformationleaflets

More specifically about The Patients Association PPGs can access: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SCpaJeWcszkYQWk92DAlj mtoqpc5NAvT