

The JIGSAW-E Patient Panel

A guide for JIGSAW-E Patient Panel members and partners



What is the Patient Panel?

The JIGSAW-E Patient Panel is an international group of patients who all have experience of osteoarthritis. The Patient Panel is made up of patients from each of the five countries which are part of the JIGSAW-E project.

These are; the UK; the Netherlands; Denmark; Norway; and Portugal



Representatives from each JIGSAW-E country have kindly volunteered their time and experience to join the JIGSAW-E Patient Panel to make sure that the implementation of JIGSAW-E in Europe remains patient focussed.

Patient Panel members advise their project team about what patients in their country think about the JIGSAW-E service. They guide the team on cultural and language differences for example.

Initially the Patient Panel started with the patients who attended the two-day international JIGSAW-E workshop at Keele University, UK, in September 2016.

Expertise by experience

The only knowledge needed to join the JIGSAW-E Patient Panel is experience of living with a condition. We want to hear the opinions, thoughts and advice of patients and families for the project. Patient Panel members know so much more about how a health problem can impact their lives and can therefore help to make sure that the implementation of JIGSAW-E stays relevant to patients.

What are Patient Champions and the Patient Panel?

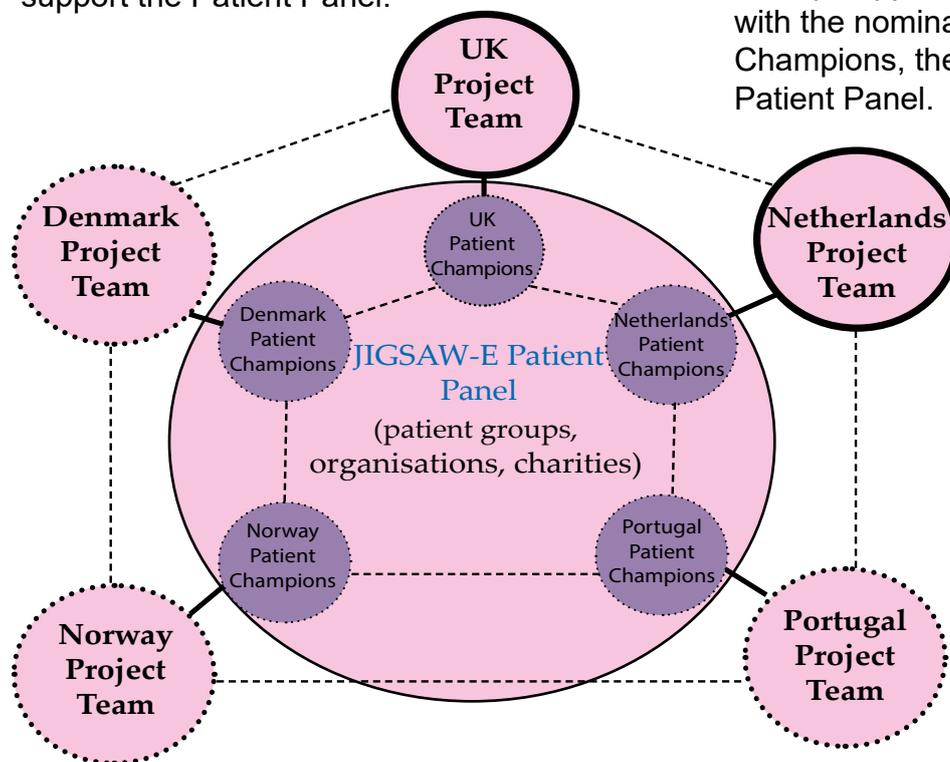
Patient Champions are a core group of patients with experience of osteoarthritis who work closely alongside the rest of the project team. Each Patient Champion contributes to the project, identifying ways to drive it forward and helping to overcome any problems. They make sure that the patient voice is listened to. Patient Champions:

- Act as the voice of patients and the public in the JIGSAW-E project
- Ensure that the project remains patient-centered
- Support the implementation of the JIGSAW-E innovations
- Link with other Patient Champions within individual countries through the JIGSAW-E newsletter, Skype calls and meetings
- Co produce information and resources for patients as part of the roll out of JIGSAW-E

Patient Champions team will be supported by nominated PPIE lead and member of the JIGSAW-E team in the respective country.

The Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement Teams at Keele University and Leiden University, coordinate and support the Patient Panel.

Project teams in each JIGSAW-E country will look to engage with people from other patient groups, organisations and charities, to help support the JIGSAW-E project. Along with the nominated Patient Champions, these make up the wider Patient Panel.



The role of the Patient Panel is to:

- Help support the roll out and uptake of JIGSAW-E
- Help raise the awareness of the project with other patients
- Ensure that the project stays relevant to patients and is culturally acceptable



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