**Role description for patient and public voice partner**

**East of England Palliative and End of Life Care Strategic Clinical Network Group (PEoLC SCNG)**

Clinical Lead: Professor Stephen Barclay

Network Manager: Jo Tonkin

The aims of the East of England PEoLC SCNG are to:

**•** Support the national priorities of PEoLC and the vision of the NHS Long Term Plan.

• Develop a shared vision and clarity of purpose reflecting the “Ambitions for Palliative and End of Life Care” and national and local priorities for PEoLC.

• Reflect local and national priorities in a work plan and provide the forum to achieve those objectives.

• Provide strategic leadership and support to statutory and non-statutory health and care organisations across the region to enhance coordination of care for PEoLC.

• Support delivery of Sustainability and Transformation Partnership / Integrated Care System PEoLC priorities.

• Provide a platform for joint contracting to support care redesign and performance improvement initiatives.

• To ensure services are co-produced with representatives of the recipients of care; patients and their families, lay carers and communities.

**Role Summary**

The role involves ensuring the voice of patients and the public are represented on the PEoLC SCN workstreams.

**Main tasks**

As patient and public representative on the PEoLC SCN workstreams you will:

* Use your knowledge and experience to give advice about the impact on patients, carers, families and communities of the issues being discussed by the workstreams and to challenge the thinking of health and care professionals when required.
* Draw on and present views from patient reference groups and communities, to offer constructive advice to inform and challenge senior health and care professionals in a group environment
* Explore specific issues that the Strategic Clinical Network has been asked to give advice on. This might involve reading papers and proposals and giving a patient or carer perspective on the contents, discussing issues with health professionals and patients involved in developing proposals or affected by them, and drawing on views of the wider groups as appropriate

The patient and public voice partner will be someone who:

* Has personal experience of Palliative and End of Life Care, bereavement and loss.
* Has experience a range of PEOLC services, for example NHS, social care, hospital, care home, hospice, home, etc.
* Is passionate about improving PEOLC services and the experience of care for people in the East of England.

**Time commitment**

You would attend alternate monthly PEoLC SCN workstream meetings and alternate monthly PEoLC SCN educational meetings where appropriate.

The meetings run for approximately 2 hours and there may be up to an hour of pre-meeting preparation reading involved.

The involvement in workstreams would also include meetings, examination of relevant materials and may present the opportunity to attend and present at events.

Approximate time commitment per month is 3 to 4 hours. All reasonable expenses will be paid by NHSE.

**Support**

We will support you in this role by:

* Providing a comprehensive induction process
* Facilitating meetings with relevant stakeholders
* Having a main point of contact within the SCN who will offer support
* Facilitating pre-meets with the PEoLC SCNG Clinical Lead or Network Manager when required
* Role appropriate training and development opportunities through NHS England as part of the Involvement Hub, and through supporting networking and connecting with other PPV Partners and with those working in the NHS.

**Duration of post**

This role will be reviewed annually