



Supporting Patients Affected by Sickle Cell

We within the Thalassemia and Haematology service want to strengthen the influence of the patients receiving sickle cell care at the East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust, so they can easily express their views and help improve the experience and service we provide. To achieve this, we want to create a Patient and Staff Forum.

What are we looking for?

We are looking for individuals to join us who have a good understanding of the issues affecting people who have the sickle cell condition and can positively contribute to discussions about what our community needs. **We need your help to:**

- Better understand what is important to our sickle cell patients
- Identify which aspects of our service needs improvement
- Establish what is currently working well

If you believe you fit the above profile and can spare a few hours a month to take part in the forum or have any questions, please email the Patient Experience Team patientexperience@elht.nhs.uk or Chelsea Soka, Clinical Nurse Specialist chelsea.soka@elht.nhs.uk with the Subject heading 'Sickle Cell Forum'.

We hope you will consider joining the forum; our aim is to hold the first meeting late January 2022, date is to be confirmed.

Yours sincerely,

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