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## Special Interest Forum for Transition and Young Adult Palliative care

We are a group that is open to everyone with an interest in caring for young people with life limiting conditions during and beyond transition from paediatric services. We meet quarterly for peer support, information-sharing and networking, often using case-based discussion as a platform for learning together.

We have an email list for group members and share regular updates and information about learning and networking opportunities. If you would like to add your name to our email list, or have any query about the group, please email Dr Jo Elverson <a href="mailto:joelverson@doctors.org.uk">joelverson@doctors.org.uk</a>.

## About the forum

The aim of our group is ultimately to ensure that young people with palliative care needs get the support they need as they move into adult services.

Achieving this aim involves research, service development and learning within our own specialty, and most importantly working collaboratively with a wide range of other specialties and national and local organisations.

We have links with paediatric palliative care organisations Association of Paediatric Palliative Medicine (APPM) and Together for Short Lives. Members of our group have contributed to work on Transition with the Royal College of physicians Adolescent health care group, Royal college of general practice, National confidential enquiry into patient outcomes and deaths (NCEPOD) and Palliative care for people with Learning disabilities (PCPLD). We also support the ongoing work in developing multidisciplinary communities of practice for transition including Hospice UK Transition ECHO hubs and Burdett Nurse Transition Communities.

## **Current work**

We are developing an e-learning session which should be complete in 2023. We will post information about other study days and learning events here.

## Links and resources

APPM <a href="https://www.appm.org.uk/">https://www.appm.org.uk/</a> Resources including paediatric palliative care symptom management guidance and formulary, details of Annual study day

Together for Short Lives <a href="https://www.togetherforshortlives.org.uk/">https://www.togetherforshortlives.org.uk/</a> details of recent Improving transition projects, and resources and research around transition

HospiceUK Transition community of practice <a href="https://www.hospiceuk.org/innovation-hub/support-for-your-role/networks-communities-of-practice/national-transition-community-practice">https://www.hospiceuk.org/innovation-hub/support-for-your-role/networks-communities-of-practice/national-transition-community-practice</a>

Teenagers and young adults with cancer palliative care special interest group <a href="https://www.tyac.org.uk/what-we-do/palliative-and-end-of-life-care-peolc-special-interest-group">https://www.tyac.org.uk/what-we-do/palliative-and-end-of-life-care-peolc-special-interest-group</a> opportunities for peer support and learning events