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**Arthritis and long term musculoskeletal conditions**

We wish to reflect services for those providing treatment and support to people living with arthritis and musculoskeletal conditions. We also want to consider how services can be best arranged to address a variety of needs; from those who want simple strategies including self-management, to those who have complex needs that require specialist care.

Please note the majority of this document was drafted prior to the Covid-19 pandemic. The current guidance does not currently provide provisions based on the impact of covid-19. The guidance was originally due to go to consultation in 2020 and the majority of the draft guidance was developed prior to the pandemic.

We would like respondents to use this consultation as an opportunity to reflect on the changes required to support services to recover following the pandemic and provide optimum support and treatment. The final framework will then reflect on lessons learned during the pandemic and new models of care utilised.

**We have included a number of questions to consider relating to the content of the document:**

**Overall**

1. In light of the effect of the pandemic on service, what should musculoskeletal services consider?
2. What digital solutions are required to support clinicians undertaking their role?
3. What extra provision is needed to support those on waiting lists or receiving management and support in primary care?

**Introduction**

1. Does the introduction identify the key issues relating to the conditions and services throughout Wales?

**Actions**

1. Are the proposed actions appropriate and will they provide the service required?

**Prevention, self-management and independence**

1. Does the guidance demonstrate the most effective and efficient approaches to develop self-management skills and maximise independence?

**The model for access and condition management of adult long-term musculoskeletal conditions, excluding osteoporosis**

1. Does the chapter provide a clear and comprehensive model for healthcare professionals to follow? Are there any further changes required to this model?

**Diagnosis, treatment and long-term management of conditions**

1. Does the guidance capture all the elements of inflammatory diseases? What effective help looks like? What else can be recommended?
2. Will the actions within this chapter, taken together with the chapters elsewhere in this document improve awareness of rare diseases?

**Diagnosis, treatment and long-term management of osteoporosis and fracture risk in adults (aged 18 and over)**

1. Does the guidance capture all the elements of managing and limiting the impact of Osteoporosis?

**Workforce development, education and recruitment**

1. How can this chapter be strengthened to address workforce education and recruitment?
2. How can we ensure health and social care professionals are aware of how to treat and manage musculoskeletal conditions effectively?

**Evidenced based care and innovation**

1. Is there any recent research, guidance or evidence not included in the document that you are aware of which should be taken into account to better enable people to live with arthritis and musculoskeletal conditions?

**Additional questions**

1. What third sector provision and support can be utilised to support this area?
2. Are there any terms or phrases in the document you feel would benefit from further explanation in a glossary?
3. Certain conditions are known to disproportionally affect people with particular characteristics, such as gender or race. Are there any further considerations required to address any inequity of treatment?
4. We would like to know your views on the effects this guidance would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

What effects do you think there would be?  How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

1. Please also explain how you believe the proposed Framework could be changed so as to:

* have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language,
* have no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

1. We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them:

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