

## All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Women's Health Women's Health Strategy

### Overview

The APPG on Women's Health is a backbench cross-party group of MPs and Peers in the UK Parliament. The Group works to bring together Parliamentarians, clinicians, patients, and other relevant stakeholders to discuss women's health and related issues.

Following the publication of the Women's Health Strategy in July 2022, the APPG on Women's Health hosted a hybrid meeting with the Chairs of APPGs with an interest in women's health. The event provided an opportunity for parliamentarians and stakeholders to discuss the implementation of the recommendations in the Strategy.

### Attendees

Attendees included representation from the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and the Department of Health and Social Care Women's Health Strategy Team.

Representation and interest was indicated by the following other APPGs:

- APPG on Menopause
- APPG on Endometriosis
- APPG on Maternity
- APPG on Sexual and Reproductive Health
- APPG on Black Maternal Health

### Asks and Recommendations

- 1) An Implementation Plan for the Women's Health Strategy should be produced with clear deliverables and timelines attached to these, with a focus on what success looks like, for example pilots of women's health hubs.
- 2) There needs to be a process for accountability and reporting back on progress against the Strategy.
- 3) Will the Government support targets for reducing gynaecological care backlogs and reducing inequalities for women in this area?
- 4) What plans does the Government and Department of Health and Social Care have to engage with women and interested organisations moving forwards?
- 5) Will there be guidance produced for Integrated Care Boards and local organisations to support changes needed to deliver against the Strategy?
- 6) Given the challenging fiscal environment, what plans are there for discussions regarding funding to deliver the strategy, and how savings can be used across budgets to deliver against this?

### Asks:

1. Will you meet with the co-chairs of the APPG informally to discuss plans for the Strategy in further detail, and how the APPG can support this?
2. Will you attend a future meeting of the APPG to discuss the Strategy and report on plans for implementation with other stakeholders?