



Update from the Patient Experience Network (PEN) February 2022

PEN have been very busy working to improve the experience of people with wounds and have started work on the following activities:

1) Building our network

We have been connecting with potential partners and stakeholders to build a network of people interested in improving the experience of wound care. The goal is to widen our PPV forum membership and create a network of people who may wish to become involved. This could be in our cocreation activities, or to be part of the wider community who review and comment on our outputs; some will simply wish to remain informed on our progress.

2) Patient to Patient programme

We have convened a group of patients and carers who wish to become advocates and take a more leading role in the improvement of the wound care experience. We meet on a monthly basis and in each meeting, we have a short input about a key topic, a peer to peer (or patient to patient– P2P) conversation and agree the actions to be taken in readiness for the next meeting. The goal is to support and develop our patient group to be confident, empowered and supported patient advocates. One outcome is to enable our advocates to set up and run patient-led cocreation activities.

3) Co-creation activity

Our first patient-led cocreation activity commenced in January and the topic is supporting patients and carers who have been recommended lower limb compression to either manage or prevent wounds. We have agreed that the focus is a resource for patients and carers and have assessed the resources already available.

To get in touch or express interest in joining any of these activities, please contact Helen@patientexperiencenetwork.org