ENTYAC 2025-2026 Winter Meeting

Influencing AYA cancer policy at local, regional and national levels.

Led by ENTYAC

Date – Friday 6th February 9am – 4.30pm

This meeting will bring together AYA cancer health care professionals, charities and advocates, researchers and local service managers who are seeking to influence the health policy of their local, regional or national policy makers about enhancing the care of AYA's.

Through presentations by experts in the field from across Europe, we aim to answer important questions to establish who the policy makers are, what kind of information they are seeking and where we can obtain the data to provide evidence that is needed to achieve policy change. We will also hear from organisations with experience of how to disseminate this evidence ensuring that our voices are heard.

Agenda (times are in GMT)

9.00 – Welcome, introduction and scene setting (Dan Stark)

9.15 – Who are the policy makers? (Malvika Vyas)

9.30 – The importance of incorporating a policy strategy within an EU project (Malvika Vyas)

10.00 – Break

10.20 – What information do we have to prepare to create a national AYA specialist cancer service? (Johan De Munter)

10.50 - Approaches to bringing together large datasets in AYA cancer (Olga Husson and Winette van der Graaf)

11.20 - Where can I find others to work with on policy development for AYA cancer care? (Dan Stark)

12.00 - Lunch

12.45 - How do we get heard? (Katie Rizvi)

1.15 –How do we build a team to achieve policy change? (Nathalie Gaspar)

1.45 – Breakout sessions

2.15 – Break

2.30 – Breakout session feedback

2.45 – Summary and next steps

3.00 - Close

Breakout session discussion and questions:

- Discuss what the current situation is in your region – this can be specific to you locally, regionally or nationally
    - What are the barriers and facilitators to developing policy progress in your area?
    - What model to achieve this progress are you interested in?
    - Is there anything about your specific situation that makes it difficult to progress?
    - Do you see opportunities for policy change that could have immediate impact?
    - What barriers, if any exist, between policy intent and real-world implementation?
    - Are there examples of effective AYA policy or service models from other regions that you are aware of that could be adapted to fit your region?