Are you a patient, carer, or family member with experience of lymphoma?

We’re looking for a public member to sit on the Independent Data Monitoring Committee for the P+R-ICE clinical trial.

What are we doing?
Diffuse large B cell lymphoma (DLBCL) is an aggressive form non-Hodgkin lymphoma. If patients see no response to initial treatment or the lymphoma returns, they are usually treated with a combination of chemotherapy and immunotherapy drugs called R-ICE. But this only works in around half of patients. The P+R-ICE trial is testing whether adding another immunotherapy drug to this standard therapy could lead to an improved response.

What is an Independent Data Monitoring Committee (IDMC)?
This committee reviews patient data that is collected during a clinical trial. They look for any safety or quality of life concerns and have the power to suggest changes or even stop the trial if they think participants are at risk. They are independent of the main trial team.

How could you help?
We’re looking for a public contributor with personal experience of DLBCL (or another type of lymphoma) or a family member of someone with the disease.

This role will involve:
• Attending a short training programme to learn about the trial and the IDMC.
• Meeting approximately every 6 months with the IDMC by video call, including a short call with the statistics team ahead of the meeting to review the IDMC report.
• Reviewing and commenting on the trial data reports from the patients’ perspective.
• Providing feedback on the process of being a public member on an IDMC.
• No statistical or data background is needed, but the role does involve looking at tables of data. You will be given training and support from our statistics team.

How will we support you?
You will be provided with introductory training to make sure you understand the IDMC report and how to interpret the data. The Patient and Public Involvement Coordinator, Trial Manager and statistics team will support you throughout your role.
You will be reimbursed for your time in line with NIHR guidelines.

Interested?
If you are interested in this role or have any other questions, please email Liz Allaway, Patient and Public Involvement Coordinator – L.Allaway@soton.ac.uk