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Have your say on the future of physiotherapy

The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy (CSP) has launched a new survey giving patients, carers and healthcare professionals the opportunity to influence research about physiotherapy.

This CSP survey is part of a Physiotherapy Priority Setting Partnership (PSP) with the James Lind Alliance (JLA) and will enable patients, carers and clinicians to work together to identify the most important questions for physiotherapy research leading to improved care. It will also ensure that funders of health research will know what really matters to patients.

Ruth ten Hove, head of research and development at Chartered Society of Physiotherapy said:

‘Our role is to ensure that everyone involved in any aspect of physiotherapy can have a real say in shaping its future direction.

‘We would like to hear from you if you are a patient, carer, clinician or have any involvement in physiotherapy, the research questions you would like answered about physiotherapy for any injury, illness, condition or disability. The aim then is to turn these questions into priorities for research funding.

‘You can tell us what matters to you by completing the online survey. You can also pass on the information to encourage family members, support networks, carers or colleagues to fill in the survey.’

Katherine Cowan, JLA Adviser and Chair of the Physiotherapy Priority Setting Partnership said:

‘The Physiotherapy PSP is an exciting opportunity to find out what matters to the people who benefit from physiotherapy research: people receiving physio, their families and the clinicians working with them. The JLA is really pleased to be working with the CSP on this exciting initiative.’

The UK-survey will be open until July. For more information and to have your say visit:

www.csp.org.uk/priorities

The results of the survey are expected late 2017.

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