



## Who we are

Manchester is a city with a very diverse population, and Manchester Race and Health Forum came in to being to help ensure that that diversity was reflected in the provision of health care.

The Forum works to improve the health of Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) groups in Manchester by:

- Advocating for equality and equity of access to health and social care
- Advocating for equality and equity of service delivery and care of all members of BME groups using health and social care services
- Advocating for equality and equity of employment in health and social care services
- Increasing awareness and understanding amongst NHS members, officers and staff on relevant race, religious and cultural issues.

## What we do

The main concentration of the Forum's work is on a city-wide strategic basis, advising organisations in the Manchester NHS economy.

The Forum has a Stakeholders Group which has regular meetings attended by representatives of statutory services and voluntary and community organisations, as well as individuals.

We are also currently encouraging members of Black Community Care Consultation forum to join us to form a Health & Social Care forum, which will provide a joint voice for the community to have a say in how services are developed and decisions made.

The Forum acts in an advisory capacity to Primary Care Trusts and works closely with the Local Authority.

It also is a consultative and opinion gathering mechanism which feeds into key government departments which are responsible for developing policy.

## How you can be involved

Become part of the Forum's Stakeholder Group

Find out more about the Forum's working groups—these will change from time to time in response to current health and social care issues.

Contribute to the quarterly Forum newsletter, which provides information about events and projects, as well as articles on specific health issues.

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If you are interested in becoming involved in the work of the Forum, please complete this form and return it to the address overleaf, or contact us by email, telephone or post.

Name:

Organisation (if any):

Contact details

Address:

Telephone number:

Fax:

Email:

Please add my details to your database

I would like to attend the Stakeholder Group—please add me to the mailing list

I would like to receive the MRHF newsletter

Please let me know about forthcoming events around

- Mental Health
- Coronary Heart Disease
- Cancer
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

