

# Genomics Education Event

**Friday 16 January 2026**

Hyatt Regency Manchester, M15 6PQ

## **Event Information:**

Genomics is transforming cancer care - and this interactive event is your opportunity to be part of that change. Join colleagues from across Greater Manchester and beyond to explore how genomic testing is being embedded into oncology pathways and what it means for patients today and in the future.

With engaging workshops and real-world case studies you'll discover how genomics is driving earlier, fairer, and more personalised cancer diagnosis and treatment.

## **Suitable For:**

All Healthcare Professionals involved in cancer care looking to better understand how genomic testing fits into their practice and how to communicate genomic testing with patients.

With thanks to our sponsors who will be exhibiting at the event but have had no input into the agenda or content of the day.





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## Agenda

**08.45-09.20** **Registration, Networking & Poster Exhibition**

**09.20-09.30** **Welcome and Introduction**

Dr Matthew Krebs

### **Session 1: Genomics in GM: Foundations & Equity**

Setting the Scene for a Fair and Future-Ready Genomic Landscape

**09.30-09.40** **David's Story**

**09.40-10.00** **Delivering Genomic Testing Together**

Dr Elizabeth Jones

**10.00-10.25** **Genomics Made Easy**

Keynote Speaker: Dr Matthew Evans

**10.25-10.45** **Break & Networking**

### **Session 2: Advancing Equity in Genomic Testing: Mainstreaming and Streamlining**

Showcasing Projects that are Integrating Genomics into Routine Care

**10.45-10.55** **Zara's Story**

**10.55-11.35** **Enhancing Access to Genomic Testing**

Dr Rachel Hart

**11.35-11.55** **From Bench to Bedside : A Multidisciplinary Perspective on Optimising Tumour Genomic Testing**

Dr Victoria Foy, Dr Lynne Jamieson

**11.55-12.05** **Chai Cancer Care**

Amanda Newdall

**12.05-12:15** **A Community Perspective**

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12.15-13.15

**Lunch, Networking & Poster Exhibition**

13.15-14.15

**Session 3: Breakouts**

**a) A Primary Care Perspective of Cancer Genomics**

Dr Mike Clark

**b) Interpreting Genomic Reports and Future Clinical Trial Targets**

Dr Helene Schlecht, Dr George Burghel, Dr Matthew Krebs

**c) Implementing ctDNA in the Clinic - Lessons Learned from Breast & Lung Cancer and Future Direction**

Anthony Sutcliffe, Suzanne Frank, Dr Rehan Naseer, Dr Marta Pereira

**d) Ask the Experts - How Different Patient Groups Approach Genomic Testing**

David Jones-Stanley, Zara McCormick, Duncan Edmonstone, Debra Montague (ALK-positive UK), Chantal Muhindo (SAWN)

14.15-14.35

**Break & Networking**

**Session 4 : Genomics in the Next Era of Cancer Care**

14.35- 14.45

**Duncan's Story**

14.45-15.05

**Liquid Biopsy and the Future**

Dr Matthew Krebs

15.05-15.30

**Understanding the Four Digital Priorities for The Genomic Medicine Service in Context of the Ten-Year Plan**

Keynote Speaker: Deborah Porter

15.30-15.45

**Q&A**

Deborah Porter, Dr Matthew Krebs, Dr Matthew Evans, Dr Mike Clark

**15.45-16.00**

**Closing Remarks**



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## Speaker Symposium

<b>Dr Matthew Krebs</b>	Clinical Senior Lecturer in Experimental Cancer Medicine and Honorary Consultant in Medical Oncology - The Christie / University of Manchester Cancer Genomics Clinical Lead   North West Genomic Laboratory Hub
<b>Dr Elizabeth Jones</b>	Medical Director - North West Genomic Laboratory Hub. Consultant Clinical Geneticist - Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
<b>Dr Matthew Evans</b>	Consultant Cellular and Molecular Pathologist. University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust and Black Country Pathology Services. Pathology Lead   Central and South Genomic Laboratory Hub Pathology Lead   Cancer Genomics Improvement Programme
<b>Dr Rachel Hart</b>	Deputy Clinical Director - Cancer North West Genomics Medicine Service Alliance
<b>Dr Victoria Foy</b>	Consultant Medical Oncologist - The Christie
<b>Dr Lynne Jamieson</b>	Consultant Dermatopathologist - Northern Care Alliance
<b>Amanda Newdall</b>	Head of Northern Service - Chai Cancer Care
<b>Dr Mike Clark</b>	Deputy Clinical Director Primary Care - NW Genomics Medicine Service Alliance.
<b>Dr Helene Schlecht</b>	Lead Scientist for Cancer Genomics - North West Genomic Laboratory Hub
<b>Dr George Burghel</b>	Principal Clinical Scientist - North West Genomic Laboratory Hub
<b>Suzanne Frank</b>	Advanced Specialist Breast Cancer Pharmacist - The Christie
<b>Anthony Sutcliffe</b>	Programme Manager - North West Genomics Medicine Service Alliance
<b>Dr Rehan Naseer</b>	Respiratory and Lung Cancer Physician - Northern Care Alliance
<b>Dr Marta Pereira</b>	Principal Clinical Scientist in Cancer Genetics- North West Genomic Laboratory Hub
<b>Debra Montague</b>	Chair - ALK-positive Lung Cancer UK
<b>Chantal Muhindo</b>	Community Advocate - SAWN
<b>Deborah Porter</b>	Deputy Director - Genomics Service Transformation Genomics Unit, Specialised Commissioning - NHS England