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Greater Manchester  
Cancer Alliance

# Greater Manchester People and Communities Cancer Conference

Wednesday 24 June 2026

DoubleTree Hilton, Manchester Piccadilly

09:15-15:30





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- 9.15** **Arrival and refreshments**
- 10.00** **Conference opening and welcome**  
(Featuring Prehab4Cancer)
- 10.15** **What is a Cancer Alliance?**  
Shaping the future of cancer care - Claire O'Rourke
- 10.35** **Helping our communities "get cancer clever"**  
Cancer awareness in the community - Ehinor Otaigbe MBE  
Community outreach and symptom awareness - Paul Keeling  
Innovation in early diagnosis - Oliver Butterworth  
The role of primary care - Sarah Taylor  
Question & Answer
- 11.35** **Mid morning break**
- 12.00** **Cancer care closer to home**  
Patient and carer perspective - Julie Flaherty  
Improving urgent and emergency cancer care - Alison Redfern  
Community diagnostic centres - Yvonne Baguley  
Wearable devices in cancer care - Dr Lukas Hughes-Noehrer  
Question & Answer
- 13.00** **Lunch**
- 13.45** **Post lunch pick-me-up**  
Laughter yoga therapy - Caroline Jones
- 14.00** **Living well with and beyond cancer**  
Culturally sensitive support - Laura Urhobo  
Think well with cancer - Sophie Bates  
Support in the workplace - Tom Thornber  
Metastatic cancer care - Miss Clare Garnsey  
Question & Answer
- 15.00** **The Jo Taylor Award for Excellence in Cancer Volunteering**
- 15.10** **How to get involved**
- 15.20** **Summary and close**