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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 - Ali Jones
Innovation in early diagnosis - Oliver Butterworth
The value 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**