

## UKSF 2016 Frequently Asked Questions

### When and where is the 2016 Conference?

The conference will take place from 28-30 November 2016 at ACC, Liverpool, Kings Dock St, Liverpool, Merseyside L3 4FP

For details on how to get to ACC, Liverpool please visit the ACC website [www.accliverpool.com](http://www.accliverpool.com)

### What's in the UKSF 2016 programme?

The 'at a glance' and full preliminary programmes are published and updated on the website regularly.

### UKSF 2016 in Numbers

This year's conference will attract **1400** attendees from across the stroke care pathway

Over **110** experts and researchers in stroke care will present across

**16** scientific parallel sessions, **14** training workshops, **3** plenaries

**3** satellite symposiums, **2** breakfast sessions and 6 fringe sessions

View over **170** research posters in the exhibition arena with over **50** exhibitors!

The 170 research abstract posters will be complimented by two incredible poster tours to give you the opportunity to meet the authors.

The 'outcomes and networking hub' will focus on key outcomes and outputs from the sessions and the new interactive zones throughout the exhibition will enhance your networking opportunities.

You might like to note that attendance will render eligible for **18 CPD** points.

### Who puts the conference programme together?

The UK Stroke Forum Steering Group members shape and direct the activities of the Forum, and meet approximately three times a year.

It is the Conference Scientific Programme Committee's role is to develop the programme and content of the annual conference.

### How can I register for the conference?

Please register online using our registration system. When registration is open look for the big blue button on the conference page and follow the instructions, it is really simple. You will be asked whether you are a member of the UK Stroke Forum coalition, indicate Yes or No as appropriate and follow the on-screen instructions.

If you book by 9 September 2016 you can save 15% with our Early Bird rates!

Pre-registration closes on 21 November 2016. Delegates registering at the event will pay the full fee of £514. Payment methods: credit or debit card only – all the details are on the registration site as you go through the process.

## How much does it cost to attend the 2016 conference?

Delegate Profession		2016 Rates
<b>Member</b>		
Physician member	Consultant Neurologist Physician	£385 (early bird) £452
Non-physician member of UKSF coalition organisation	UKSF member except: - Physician - Junior role or student (see junior rate)	£300 (early bird) £353
<b>Non-Member</b>		
Standard	Anyone who is not entitled to any of the other discounted rates. This includes: - Non-member consultants/physicians - Employees of commercial companies - Researchers on permanent contracts (tenured)	£436 (early bird) £514
Non-tenured researcher or trainee physician	Non-tenured means you do not have a permanent contract. Physicians with the following job titles: - House Officer (FY1) - Senior House Officer (FY2) - Specialist Registrar (StR1-6)	£300 (early bird) £353
<b>Junior Rate Eligibility</b>		
Community-based AHPs Dieticians Neuroradiologists Nurses Occupational Therapists Orthoptists Paramedics Physiotherapists Social Care Speech & Language Therapists	Bands 5 & 6 Band 5 Trainee radiographers FY1 and FY2 Bands 2-6 Bands 3-5 Bands 5 & 6 Band 5 Bands 3-5 Facilitators Bands 3-5	£221 (early bird) £263
Student Rate or Stroke Survivors	Full-time or part time students	£182 (early bird) £214
<b>Special introductory one-day rate for GP/Social Care Training Day sessions only</b> ( <i>special introductory rate includes Training Day one-day delegate pass for the GP and Social Care streams only</i> )		
Standard Member	UKSF member – GP or Social Worker only	£70 (early bird) £55)
Reduced Member	GPs or Social Workers only, earning less than £24K per year	£55 (early bird) £40)
Non-Members	Non-member GPs or Social Workers only	£90 (early bird) £75)

### Are day delegate rates available?

At this time we do not offer one day passes to the conference - delegate rates are based on all three days. Please note for the new GP/Social Care Training Day sessions only we have introduced a special introductory rate which includes a one-day Training Day delegate pass for the GP and Social Care streams. Only GPs and Social Workers can attend these sessions and the pass does not entitle them to attend other conference sessions.

### What does the fee include?

A full delegate pass includes admission to one of three training streams available on Monday 28 November, admission to the main conference 29 & 30 November and also includes refreshments, lunches and all conference materials.

A GP or Social Care Training Day session pass includes a one-day delegate pass for the GP and Social Care training streams on Monday 28 November only. This is a special rate introduced this year for GPs and Social Workers only in order to encourage attendance from these vastly underrepresented groups - Please note the pass does not entitle the delegate to attend other conference sessions and does include lunch/refreshments and session materials.

The main conference 29 & 30 November includes three plenary sessions and over twenty unique parallel sessions focused on different aspects of stroke care. Conference delegates also have access to the exhibition featuring poster tours, outcomes and networking hub and much more.

Delegate fees do not include accommodation or tickets for the Gala Dinner which needs to be booked separately.

### How do I qualify for discounted registration fees?

Discounted registration fees are available for any healthcare professional who is a member of a UK Stroke Forum coalition organisation. For example, if you are a member of The British Association of Stroke Physicians or the National Stroke Nursing Forum you will qualify. Discounted fees are also available for employees, members and associates of coalition organisations which you can find at <https://www.stroke.org.uk/professionals/what-uk-stroke-forum> (our main conference page).

### What happens if I need to cancel or check terms and conditions?

Terms and Conditions are available to view on the website.

### If I am selected to present an abstract, which category of delegate fee am I entitled to?

All successful abstract applicants will be notified in August, to ensure all selected authors can register before the early bird deadline (9 September). Please note that the normal delegate rates apply. We regret that we are unable to cover expenses for authors selected to present abstracts or posters.

## Are there any Social Events?

There will be a welcome drinks reception taking place on Monday 28 November at 5pm in the exhibition hall. This is open to all delegates, do join us!

The UKSF Annual Gala Dinner takes place on Tuesday 30 November at the amazing Rum Warehouse, Titanic Hotel in Liverpool. This includes a drinks reception, three-course meal, and quality themed entertainment creating great opportunities to network the night away! Tickets are only £49 each.

## How do I book accommodation in Liverpool?

We have negotiated some excellent accommodation rates. To take advantage, book your accommodation online via our agent [www.reservation-highway.co.uk/stroke16](http://www.reservation-highway.co.uk/stroke16)

Contact Reservation Highway. For further information there is a link on the website or with accommodation queries you can email the agent direct at [admin@reservation-highway.co.uk](mailto:admin@reservation-highway.co.uk)

## Can my organisation become a member of the UK Stroke Forum?

We are always keen to hear from organisations that share in our aim to improve stroke care, by promoting multidisciplinary stroke research and education amongst healthcare professionals. If you would like to inform us of your organisation's interest in joining the coalition, please contact [ukstrokeforum@stroke.org.uk](mailto:ukstrokeforum@stroke.org.uk)

## Can I become a member of the UK Stroke Forum?

The UK Stroke Forum does not offer membership to individuals but encourages them to become a member of one of the coalition organisations. Depending on your interests or professional background, membership is currently available with a number of coalition organisations - a list of UK Stroke Forum coalition organisations can be found on our website at <https://www.stroke.org.uk/professionals/what-uk-stroke-forum>

By becoming a member of any of the coalition organisations, not only will you receive their standard membership benefits but you will be entitled to discounted rates to the annual UK Stroke Forum Conference.

## How can I help promote the UK Stroke Forum to my colleagues and wider networks?

If you visit our webpage to see our promotional toolkit where you can find leaflets, power-point slides, web banners and much more.....

## What sponsorship and exhibition opportunities are there?

A variety of sponsorship and exhibition packages are available. See our comprehensive prospectus to find out more. Contact: Anita Jethwa, our dedicated Sponsorship and Exhibitions Manager at the Stroke Association or call 0207 566 1547 [uksfsponsorship@stroke.org.uk](mailto:uksfsponsorship@stroke.org.uk)

## Tell me about the UKSF Team

**Sammy Williams**, UK Stroke Forum Relationship and Business Manager

Sammy leads the UKSF team. She manages the coalition, together with all of the committees, governance, finances and business development. Why not follow Sammy on Twitter @sammiella

**Tracy Johnson**, UK Stroke Forum Conference Manager

Tracy looks after the 'nitty-gritty' logistics side of the conference to ensure smooth delivery. She is also leading on marketing and web content.

**Jenna Bennett**, UK Stroke Forum Event Administrator

Jenna shifts an incredible amount of paper! She is particularly involved in our social media feeds and supporting Sammy with the committees and speaker liaison. Jenna is also our 'go-to' for queries regarding the registration system.

**Olivia Flaherty**, UK Stroke Forum Event Administrator

Olivia is the person to contact with any financial queries you might have. Olivia supports the team on a part-time basis and also ably assists with conference administration and emergency wagon wheels!

**Contact details for the team** are: 08455212505 / [ukstrokeforum@stroke.org.uk](mailto:ukstrokeforum@stroke.org.uk)

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