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## Reframing Rare Disease in Primary Care

Thursday 2 March, 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Chaired by Dr Chris Price

Head of Revalidation Support Unit, HEIW.

### Overview

Around 3.5m people in the UK live with a rare disease. These conditions affect 1 in 17 individuals. Approximately 80% of rare conditions have a genetic cause, and with the exciting developments in genomic medicine we hope to see a huge advancement in the diagnosis and subsequent management of rare diseases. GPs have more diagnostic power than ever before, with genetic testing being increasingly accessible. This webinar will focus on the fact that general practice is therefore key to improving the lives of those living with rare conditions. 70% of rare conditions present in childhood, most are lifelong and affect multiple body systems. As generalists, GPs are perfectly placed to support their patients with a holistic approach. This carries countless benefits to patients. By reframing rare disease and appropriately preparing our GP workforce we can easily improve care with some simple steps.

### Speakers:

Dr Jamie Duckers Consultant (Respiratory & Cystic Fibrosis) Cardiff and Vale University Health Board & Clinical Lead for Rare Disease in Wales

Dr Lucy McKay, Founder and CEO - Medics 4 Rare Diseases

Ceridwen Hughes, Same but Different

Dr Allison John, GP

**Designed for:** GPs. All healthcare professionals are welcome to attend.

**Format:** A presentation, with the opportunity to pose questions to the speakers.

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