

## Steering Group Member Profile

Name: Sandra Scarth

Group/  
Organisation: East Yorkshire Citizens Advice Bureau  
(if applicable)



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### Personal Statement

I have worked in the Health Service as a nurse, in a management role for an international company and as an advisor with Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB), which is my current role. I have also been the proprietor of two businesses.

It is perhaps my present position with CAB that best illustrates my ability to fulfil the essential criteria regarding skills and knowledge.

- For the past 12 years I have been a paid adviser with the bureau's GP Project; this involves offering a weekly advice service at GP surgeries throughout Hull.
- I read correspondence and reports sent to patients and when appropriate act and negotiate on their behalf. I have also produced reports for the PCT detailing the types of patients that use the service and the sorts of issues that they seek advice on.
- Interest in health and/or social care – I am very interested in health and social care which is part of the reason I've spent so much time working as both a nurse in the NHS and as an advisor for the CAB.
- Experience and knowledge of the issues facing the local community is gained daily through networking and working continually with patients. On a daily basis as an experienced adviser; I listen to a diversity of issues, some of which may affect the whole community. I am already committed, through Social Policy, to improve the policies and practices that affect people's lives.
- Committing sufficient time to the role will not pose any problems.
- Ability to interact with people from diverse backgrounds and commitment to equal opportunities – both of these requirements are fundamental principles of CAB, making equality and diversity part of all we do.
- I would be totally committed to carrying out the aims and objectives of the steering group.

## Declaration of Interests

**PAID INTERESTS** Includes employment, self employment and paid work as a director or governor

Organisation/Business	Nature of Interest
Citizens Advice Bureau, Hull	I offer advice sessions in GP Practices.

**VOLUNTARY/UNPAID INTERESTS** Includes voluntary activity and work as an unpaid trustee

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**OTHERS** Please indicate any other interests you may feel relevant to disclose

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