

MDS UK PATIENT SUPPORT GROUP

Unaudited Financial Statements

Year ended 31st March 2024

Registered Charity Number: 1145214

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

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Trustees

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Russell Cook
Claudia Richards
Tony Allen
Lin Holder
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Alastair Day (resigned 6 October 2023)
Edward Peel (resigned 31 March 2024)
Sophie Wintrich (resigned 28th April 2023)
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Sirat Bhalla (appointed 10 January 2024)
Keith Hackett (appointed 8 March 2024)
Jen Goodison (appointed 8 March 2024)
Atashia Gonsalves (appointed 21 March 2024)

Key management personnel:

Chief Executive: Debbie Hickman - Interim CEO

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity changed from a company limited by guarantee to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by a constitution dated 23rd October 2020. The members of the CIO who are trustees of the charity are listed above.

Appointment of trustees

Existing trustees propose new trustees. The number of trustees shall not be less than three and a maximum of twelve.

Organisation

The board of trustees administers the charity and normally meets quarterly. A Chief Executive is appointed by the trustees to manage the day to day activities to facilitate effective operations. The Chief Executive has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the trustees, for operational matters including finance and employment.

Equal opportunities

The Charity operates a policy of equal opportunities. All recruitment, employment practice and service delivery within the organisation is carried out according to the principles of equal opportunities.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate, where possible, those risks identified. The principal risk is the ability to replace key staff and trustees and our ability to secure staff for the planned expansion of activities.

Register of interests

A register has been set up in which trustees are required to declare their outside interests, specifically directorships of other boards.

Trustee's responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Charity law requires the trustees to prepare the financial statements for each financial year.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting standards (FRS 102) for Smaller Entities.

Under charity law trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they give a

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true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and outgoing resources of the charity for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- I. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- II. observe the methods and principles in the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)
- III. make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- IV. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charities.

By Order of the board of Trustees



Tony Allen (Chair)

Date 30th August 2024

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		2024	2023
		£	£
Income from	Note	Total	Total
Donations and similar incoming resources	3	100,108	119,364
Legacies	3	25,864	260,000
Grants	4	-	-
Investment income	5	5,907	4,075
Other income		1,541	18,608
Total income		133,420	402,047
Expenditure on			
Raising funds	6	56,514	39,919
Charitable activities	7	169,428	164,166
Governance costs	12	108	32
Total expenditure	8	226,050	204,117
Write back of Provision for Research grant	10	-	1,301
Net income/deficit		(92,630)	196,630
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		802,894	606,264
Total funds carried forward		710,264	802,894

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		2024 £ Total	2023 £ Total
Non-current assets	Note		
Office furniture and fittings		8,172	-
Current assets			
Debtors	14	1,097	1,328
Current asset investments	15	656,684	377,894
Cash in bank and in hand		50,338	429,699
Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors and accruals	16	9,267	6,027
Total Net Assets		707,024	802,894
The Funds of the Charity		707,024	802,894
Unrestricted Income Funds	17	707,024	802,894
Total Funds		707,024	802,894

Unaudited notes to the financial statements as at 31st March 2024

1) Accounting policies

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered in England & Wales and has no share capital. The charity's registered office address is The Old Court House, New Road Avenue, Chatham, Kent ME4 6BA. Its charity number is 1145214.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), effective 1 January 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Assets and liabilities are recognised at historical cost or transaction value.

Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are satisfied that the CIO is a going concern and that these accounts should be prepared on that basis. With the continuing uncertain economic outlook, the Trustees and CEO have put measures in place to extend and improve fundraising. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months following the approval of these financial statements. The trustees have initiated a strategic review which will lead to the utilisation of excess reserves to improve and extend our activities.

Income Recognition

Income represents income attributable to the activities of the Charity when the Charity becomes entitled to the donation or similar income and any conditions for receipt are met, and the trustees are reasonably certain that they will receive it and the value can be reliably measured. Grants received without any restriction on entitlement are recognised in full upon award.

Legacy gifts are recognised following the granting of probate when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date.

Donated professional services or facilities are recognised as income when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general volunteer time of our team of volunteers is not recognised.

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Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably. All the charity's investment income arises from money held in interest bearing deposit accounts regulated by the Prudential Regulating Authority and covered by the Government's Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Research Grants

No further research grants were agreed during the period of these accounts.

Charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities includes expenditure incurred in the delivery of activities and services for beneficiaries and all the support costs as shown in note 10.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include legal and professional fees and the costs of the AGM and governance meetings.

Corporation Tax

The Charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 as any surplus or gains are applied for charitable purposes.

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Reserves

The Trustees have reviewed the policy on reserves and our reserves are required to protect the charity from unexpected shocks and to be used to increase support for patients and their families in line with our strategic objectives.

Cash flow statement

Due to its size, the charity is not required to present a Cash flow Statement under the Financial Reporting standards.

2) Trustees' Remuneration

The charity reimbursed King's College University Hospital Trust for emoluments of £15,820 in total for pension and employers' National Insurance in respect of Sophie Wintrich, the former Chief Executive. The other trustees neither received or waived any emoluments. The charity meets the expenses incurred by trustees in carrying out their duties. During the year one trustee had expenses met by the charity for £15.

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
3) Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources			
Donations (including Gift Aid)		100,108	119,634
Legacies		25,864	260,000
Other income (honorarium received)		1,541	-
		<u>127,513</u>	<u>379,364</u>
4) Grants			
No grant income was received		-	-
5) Investment income			
Investment and bank interest received		<u>5,907</u>	<u>4,075</u>

6) Cost of raising funds

Advertising and promotion	-	2,139
Consultant	2,675	-
Event costs	1,575	16,678
Donor database development/maintenance	22,043	3,602
Fundraising platform commission	563	-
Allocated staff costs	29,658	17,500
	<u>56,514</u>	<u>39,919</u>

7) Expenditure on charitable activities

Information and advocacy and outreach	21,964	20,273
Helpline	17,067	25,878
Local patient support groups	7,500	20,438
National forum	-	9,065
Conferences/representation	943	11,373
Patient survey	-	824
Website/social media	22,043	30,271
Clinical trials/advisory	-	7,747
Support costs	100,019	38,298
	<u>169,536</u>	<u>164,167</u>

8) Analysis of total expenditure

Reimbursed staff costs (1 secondee to 11 Aug 2024)	15,810	34,913
Salary, NI and pensions	9 108,653	95,797
Rent and business rates	13,157	-
Website	22,043	14,900
Conference participation	943	-
Other costs	25,497	18,556
Governance costs	108	32
Fundraising costs	33,085	39,919
Legal expenses	6,754	-
	<u>226,050</u>	<u>204,117</u>

9) Staff costs and emoluments

Salaries	102,594	81,541
Social security costs	3,917	12,142
Pension costs	2,142	6,875
	<u>108,653</u>	<u>100,558</u>

10) Research grant

No further grants had been provided	10	-	-
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11) Governance costs

AGM and governance meetings	<u>108</u>	<u>32</u>
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12) Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity with no tax liability arising in the year

13) Debtors

Gift Aid Recoverable	4,337	-
Other	-	1,328
	<u>4,337</u>	<u>1,328</u>

14) Current asset investments

Insignis Cash	<u>656,684</u>	<u>377,894</u>
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16) Creditors

HMRC	3,535	-
Pension provider	640	560
Accruals	<u>5,092</u>	<u>5,466</u>
	<u>9,267</u>	<u>6,026</u>

17) Funds

Balance at 1st April 2023	802,894	606,264
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Sirat Bhalla (appointed 10 January 2024)
Keith Hackett (appointed 8 March 2024)
Jen Goodison (appointed 8 March 2024)
Atashia Gonsalves (appointed 21 March 2024)

Key management personnel:

Chief Executive: Debbie Hickman - Interim CEO

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity changed from a company limited by guarantee to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by a constitution dated 23rd October 2020. The members of the CIO who are trustees of the charity are listed above.

Appointment of trustees

Existing trustees propose new trustees. The number of trustees shall not be less than three and a maximum of twelve.

Organisation

The board of trustees administers the charity and normally meets quarterly. A Chief Executive is appointed by the trustees to manage the day to day activities to facilitate effective operations. The Chief Executive has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the trustees, for operational matters including finance and employment.

Equal opportunities

The Charity operates a policy of equal opportunities. All recruitment, employment practice and service delivery within the organisation is carried out according to the principles of equal opportunities.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate, where possible, those risks identified. The principal risk is the ability to replace key staff and trustees and our ability to secure staff for the planned expansion of activities.

Register of interests

A register has been set up in which trustees are required to declare their outside interests, specifically directorships of other boards.

Trustee's responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Charity law requires the trustees to prepare the financial statements for each financial year.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting standards (FRS 102) for Smaller Entities.

Under charity law trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they give a

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true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and outgoing resources of the charity for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- I. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- II. observe the methods and principles in the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)
- III. make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- IV. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charities.

By Order of the board of Trustees



Tony Allen (Chair)

Date 30th August 2024

Registered Charity Number: 1145214

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		2024	2023
		£	£
Income from	Note	Total	Total
Donations and similar incoming resources	3	100,108	119,364
Legacies	3	25,864	260,000
Grants	4	-	-
Investment income	5	5,907	4,075
Other income		1,541	18,608
Total income		133,420	402,047
Expenditure on			
Raising funds	6	56,514	39,919
Charitable activities	7	169,428	164,166
Governance costs	12	108	32
Total expenditure	8	226,050	204,117
Write back of Provision for Research grant	10	-	1,301
Net income/deficit		(92,630)	196,630
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		802,894	606,264
Total funds carried forward		710,264	802,894

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		2024 £ Total	2023 £ Total
Non-current assets	Note		
Office furniture and fittings		8,172	-
Current assets			
Debtors	14	1,097	1,328
Current asset investments	15	656,684	377,894
Cash in bank and in hand		50,338	429,699
Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors and accruals	16	9,267	6,027
Total Net Assets		707,024	802,894
The Funds of the Charity		707,024	802,894
Unrestricted Income Funds	17	707,024	802,894
Total Funds		707,024	802,894

Unaudited notes to the financial statements as at 31st March 2024

1) Accounting policies

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered in England & Wales and has no share capital. The charity's registered office address is The Old Court House, New Road Avenue, Chatham, Kent ME4 6BA. Its charity number is 1145214.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), effective 1 January 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Assets and liabilities are recognised at historical cost or transaction value.

Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are satisfied that the CIO is a going concern and that these accounts should be prepared on that basis. With the continuing uncertain economic outlook, the Trustees and CEO have put measures in place to extend and improve fundraising. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months following the approval of these financial statements. The trustees have initiated a strategic review which will lead to the utilisation of excess reserves to improve and extend our activities.

Income Recognition

Income represents income attributable to the activities of the Charity when the Charity becomes entitled to the donation or similar income and any conditions for receipt are met, and the trustees are reasonably certain that they will receive it and the value can be reliably measured. Grants received without any restriction on entitlement are recognised in full upon award.

Legacy gifts are recognised following the granting of probate when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date.

Donated professional services or facilities are recognised as income when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general volunteer time of our team of volunteers is not recognised.

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Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably. All the charity's investment income arises from money held in interest bearing deposit accounts regulated by the Prudential Regulating Authority and covered by the Government's Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Research Grants

No further research grants were agreed during the period of these accounts.

Charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities includes expenditure incurred in the delivery of activities and services for beneficiaries and all the support costs as shown in note 10.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include legal and professional fees and the costs of the AGM and governance meetings.

Corporation Tax

The Charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 as any surplus or gains are applied for charitable purposes.

Unaudited notes to the financial statements as at 31st March 2024

Reserves

The Trustees have reviewed the policy on reserves and our reserves are required to protect the charity from unexpected shocks and to be used to increase support for patients and their families in line with our strategic objectives.

Cash flow statement

Due to its size, the charity is not required to present a Cash flow Statement under the Financial Reporting standards.

2) Trustees' Remuneration

The charity reimbursed King's College University Hospital Trust for emoluments of £15,820 in total for pension and employers' National Insurance in respect of Sophie Wintrich, the former Chief Executive. The other trustees neither received or waived any emoluments. The charity meets the expenses incurred by trustees in carrying out their duties. During the year one trustee had expenses met by the charity for £15.

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
3) Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources			
Donations (including Gift Aid)		100,108	119,634
Legacies		25,864	260,000
Other income (honorarium received)		1,541	-
		<u>127,513</u>	<u>379,364</u>
4) Grants			
No grant income was received		-	-
5) Investment income			
Investment and bank interest received		<u>5,907</u>	<u>4,075</u>

6) Cost of raising funds

Advertising and promotion	-	2,139
Consultant	2,675	-
Event costs	1,575	16,678
Donor database development/maintenance	22,043	3,602
Fundraising platform commission	563	-
Allocated staff costs	29,658	17,500
	<u>56,514</u>	<u>39,919</u>

7) Expenditure on charitable activities

Information and advocacy and outreach	21,964	20,273
Helpline	17,067	25,878
Local patient support groups	7,500	20,438
National forum	-	9,065
Conferences/representation	943	11,373
Patient survey	-	824
Website/social media	22,043	30,271
Clinical trials/advisory	-	7,747
Support costs	100,019	38,298
	<u>169,536</u>	<u>164,167</u>

8) Analysis of total expenditure

Reimbursed staff costs (1 secondee to 11 Aug 2024)	15,810	34,913
Salary, NI and pensions	9 108,653	95,797
Rent and business rates	13,157	-
Website	22,043	14,900
Conference participation	943	-
Other costs	25,497	18,556
Governance costs	108	32
Fundraising costs	33,085	39,919
Legal expenses	6,754	-
	<u>226,050</u>	<u>204,117</u>

9) Staff costs and emoluments

Salaries	102,594	81,541
Social security costs	3,917	12,142
Pension costs	2,142	6,875
	<u>108,653</u>	<u>100,558</u>

10) Research grant

No further grants had been provided	10	-	-
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11) Governance costs

AGM and governance meetings	<u>108</u>	<u>32</u>
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12) Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity with no tax liability arising in the year

13) Debtors

Gift Aid Recoverable	4,337	-
Other	-	1,328
	<u>4,337</u>	<u>1,328</u>

14) Current asset investments

Insignis Cash	<u>656,684</u>	<u>377,894</u>
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16) Creditors

HMRC	3,535	-
Pension provider	640	560
Accruals	5,092	5,466
	<u>9,267</u>	<u>6,026</u>

17) Funds

Balance at 1st April 2023	802,894	606,264
Surplus/deficit for the year	<u>(92,630)</u>	<u>196,630</u>
	<u>710,264</u>	<u>802,894</u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
MDS UK PATIENT SUPPORT GROUP

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1145214

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/ 03 /2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination.

Signed:

Date:

31/03/2024

Name:

MR OLUFEMI ALAKIJA FCCA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Not applicable.