

# FAQ: Future Research Priorities Workshops

## **? What is the purpose of the workshops?**

The workshops enable Cardiomyopathy UK and the James Lind Alliance to talk to people affected by cardiomyopathy to give their perspectives on the questions about cardiomyopathy that they would like answered. This could include any topic such as diagnosis, treatment, ongoing care, as well as emotional wellbeing, impacts, lifestyle or genetic testing. At this stage of the process, your insights and wide-ranging experiences are all valuable.

At a later stage, the research questions will be narrowed down and refined to form 10 research areas of priority.

## **? What will I be expected to do at the workshop?**

The workshop will be facilitated (chaired) by a facilitator. The facilitator will ask questions to the group and you will all be given a chance to give your thoughts, ideas and answers.

You should feel comfortable being honest and giving your own opinions in the workshop. Anything you say will be confidential within the group and you will remain anonymous in the follow-up work. Please let the facilitator know if you have any questions on the day.

## **? I have accessibility/support needs. Can I attend the workshop?**

Please let us know what you need and we will do our best to accommodate this.

## **? I can't attend the workshop. Is there another way I can feed in my views?**

Yes, there is also an online survey: <https://bit.ly/cardiomysurvey>.

Or you can complete the survey on paper which you can request by emailing [rebecca.gray@cardiomyopathy.org](mailto:rebecca.gray@cardiomyopathy.org), or by calling the Cardiomyopathy UK office on 01494 791224.