



Election asks

Put these 3 questions to general election candidates who knock on your door.



Will you become a rehab champion if elected to parliament?

Background Physio and Rehab is as important as medicine and surgery. But services are patchy and millions miss out.



Fact This damages people's health, independence and ability to work, driving the gap in healthy life expectancy.



How will you deliver greater numbers of physiotherapists and support workers?

Background Supply of physios is healthy, making it possible to expand rehab teams in the NHS and all sectors.

Fact This will cut waiting times, help people stay out of hospital and improve the quality of life for millions of people.



How are you going to stop NHS staff from leaving?

Background The next government must deliver fair pay, properly-staffed teams and opportunities to progress.

Fact Physio staff are leaving the NHS early on in their careers, demoralised because they can't offer the care their patients need and their skills are undervalued.

Your personal experience carries weight - tell your story!



CSP election asks

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Q1 Will you become a rehab champion if elected to parliament?

Background

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Fact

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Q2 How will you deliver greater numbers of physiotherapists and support workers?

Background

We need more university training places for physiotherapy and greater numbers of NHS roles for graduates.

Fact

This will help cut waiting times, help people stay out of hospital and improve the quality of life for millions of people.

Q3 How are you going to stop NHS staff from leaving?

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THE CHARTERED SOCIETY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy (CSP) is the professional, educational and trade union body for the UK's 65,000 chartered physiotherapists, physiotherapy students and support workers.

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