

Roger Wilson

Chair Emeritus

Roger Wilson was diagnosed with a sarcoma in 1999 and has had six recurrences involving surgery, including an amputation, chemotherapy (on an EORTC study) and radiotherapy. His latest surgery in 2013.

He has been a patient advocate since 2002. He chaired the National Cancer Research Institute patient group from 2004 to 2007, and has chaired a number of national research initiatives in prevention, survivorship, and palliative care. In 2003, he founded Sarcoma UK. The charity now has a full-time staff working on information, support, awareness and research. Sarcoma UK now raises approx. £2.5m per annum.

Roger was a co-founder of Sarcoma Patients Euronet in 2009. He has been active in Europe working on professional programmes and developing patient involvement in research. He was a member of faculty for the Workshop on Methods

in Cancer Clinical Research between 2007 and 2019. He helped establish the EORTC Patient Panel.

He has a particular interest in quality of life appraisal and PROs, working with the University of Birmingham Centre for PRO Research (CPROR) and with EORTC. Following Brexit he has also been involved helping MHRA, the UK medicines regulator, establish patient involvement in the medicines approval process.

He was appointed CBE in the 2011 New Year Honours and holds honorary degrees from the Universities of Sheffield and Lancaster. By background, he is a journalist and TV producer.

