



## Join BANT and contact your local MP to call for reform and inclusion of Nutritional Therapy in the NHS

Hello there,

In this election year BANT has been busy lobbying the outgoing and incoming governments on behalf of our members, calling for greater focus on prevention-led healthcare and the inclusion of Registered Nutritional Therapy Practitioners in the NHS.

In March we launched our five-point manifesto which has been circulated to parliamentarians and policy makers via our dedicated PR channel 'Politics Home' as well as direct to the inboxes of prominent MPs and journalists. You can read the full manifesto <a href="here">here</a>.

The manifesto has been widely shared on our social media channels, gathering support from across the nutrition and lifestyle medicine community. Our Linkedin community has grown to almost twenty nine thousand followers. Please join us online <a href="here">here</a> and add your voice to the conversations taking place.

On Friday 13th September we issued our latest press release calling for reform to the NHS following the Lord Darzi report claiming the NHS must 'reform or die'. Read it <a href="here">here</a>. This release was sent to the Labour Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Wes Streeting MP, The Minister of State for Care, Stephen Kinnock MP, and the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Public Health and Prevention, Andrew Gwynne MP.

BANT members can get involved too by lobbying your local MP to echo BANT's call for reform. Simply download, complete, and send the template letter provided <u>here</u> to your local

MP, adding in any additional information which may be relevant for your locality, and/or which showcases how you are working locally to successfully deliver prevention-led nutritional therapy. This is a great way to engage your local MP and have them champion your work.

Whether your Local MP is Labour or other, there is cross-party consensus to 'save our NHS'. Together, let's continue to promote our profession, gain recognition for personalised nutrition and lifestyle medicine, and deliver the prevention-led healthcare the NHS so desperately needs.

Let's get lobbying!

Thank you on behalf of the BANT team.

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