

**Big Lottery Workplace Cancer Awareness Project****Date**

Funded from 2001-2004

**Location**

NHS Greater Glasgow

**Key Partners**

Breast Cancer Care  
McMillan Cancer  
Prostate Cancer Charity  
Colon Cancer Concern

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**Summary of project and achievements**

- Established sustainable workplace interventions with Breast Cancer Care to be delivered through their new Outreach Worker.
- Research with employees and employers on the needs of people at work affected by cancer, which will lead to the production of a national workplace resource.
- Development and evaluation of workplace toolkits for Breast Cancer, Prostate Cancer and Colon Cancer.
- Delivery of a wide range of workplace seminars using ICT, video development and theatre.
- Support to national charities to offer their services in Scotland through the workplace conduit e.g. Prostate Cancer and Colon cancer Concern.

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In July 1999 it was announced that 17.5 million was available through the New Opportunities Fund (now Big Lottery) for cancer prevention, treatment and early detection. Health at Work submitted an application, which was finally approved in April 2001 and began in July that year. The project comes to a close in December 2004 and will leave behind a sustainable programme of work due to the relationships built up with the voluntary sector, the evidence base developed by the project and the infrastructure of the workplace team where the project has been based. There is a strong appetite for cancer prevention work in the workplace setting. The work of the project contributes to the Healthy Working Lives strategy launched in August 2004 by the Scottish Executive by developing resources which will assist employers to develop supportive working environments for those affected by cancer.