

## Scottish Mesh Survivors “Hear Our Voice” Campaign Charter of Mesh Care

- The **Suspension of Mesh** must remain until it becomes a statutory ban through legislation
  - The current suspension is discretionary by the Cabinet Secretary
- To establish a **Mesh Removal Fund** and include unclaimed monies from the established Scottish Government £1m Fund
  - To pay reasonable costs for mesh removal by a surgeon of a patient’s choosing, someone who has their confidence and trust – Dr Veronikis in the US or elsewhere. This should not be an onerous referral process.
  - To refund reasonable costs to the small number of women forced to pay for complete mesh removal surgery that was not available in Scotland
- To urge the **Mesh Complication Centre** in Glasgow to improve service quality by:
  - Publishing their training and qualification with regard to mesh removal surgery
  - Publishing their declaration of interests with mesh manufacturers
  - Providing pre-operative assessments and aftercare for patients who choose mesh removal surgery outside Scotland
  - Providing women with a Patient Decision Aid before surgery to allow an independent decision to be made free from pressure
  - Providing women with detailed photographic evidence of their mesh removal after surgery
  - Providing care and treatment for all complex mesh cases
- To ensure independence of the **Patient Safety Commissioner** he or she must be appointed by and accountable to the Parliament and not the Government. He or she must have wide ranging powers and be able to take action and impose sanctions if necessary
- To implement all **recommendations of the Cumberlege Report** which are within the Scottish Government’s authority as a matter of importance