HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA (HAE)

PATIENT IMPACT SURVEY SUMMARY





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ABOUT HAD

HAE is a rare genetic condition which affects an estimated 1,300 people in the UK.

It is **lifelong**, multifaceted, and potentially **life-threatening**.²





HAE symptoms include episodes of swelling in any part of the body including the hands, feet, face, abdomen, and airway.²

ABOUT THE PATIENT IMPACT SURVEY

To understand more around the psychological, physical, and social impact on people affected by HAE, Takeda UK, in partnership with HAE UK, gathered insights from 109 people, including people living with HAE, and their carers.



The survey data provides a better **understanding** of the **burden** of HAE for people **affected**, and highlights **gaps in** the **care** they receive, that should be addressed.³

WE BELIEVE THAT EVERY PERSON LIVING WITH HAE IN THE UK MUST HAVE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY TREATMENT AND CARE, NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE, SO THAT EVERY PATIENT IS ABLE TO LIVE, AND NOT JUST EXIST, WITH THEIR CONDITION.



OUR AMBITION FOR CARE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH

All patients must be offered the full range of clinically effective treatments, alongside regular treatment reviews over their lifetime, so they can strive to achieve total control of the disease and the best possible quality of life.

Supporting survey data:



of participants feel **easier access** to a **range** of **treatments** would help better manage their HAE.

n=109

Our policy ask(s):

- The NHS should align its Clinical Commissioning Policies for HAE with the Government's national rare disease aspiration for every patient to get the treatment they need.
- 2 Specialist services should provide access to regular treatment reviews so that ongoing management reflects the changing needs of HAE patients over their life course.
- NHS services should collect patient-reported outcome and quality-of-life data in order for the impact of HAE treatment to be more holistically considered in the management of individual patients.

Shared decision-making between clinical teams and patients at every stage of the care pathway should be prioritised to enable patients to best manage their own condition.

Supporting survey data:



of participants feel **more interactions** with their **HAE clinical team** would help better manage their HAE.



have **never heard about** any of the support available to them.



agree to some extent that people in their social circle do not understand how HAE affects them.

Our policy ask(s):

- Best practice should follow NHS England's shared decision-making guidance to better standards of care in all healthcare settings throughout the patient journey.
- Co-created patient education materials should be developed and rolled out to support patients to confidently engage with specialist care services.
- Patients should be directed to the HAE UK website as an education resource to ensure they are equipped with self-management tools to support shared decision-making.

n=109 (all)

Clinical professional awareness of HAE in all healthcare settings must improve, particularly in A&E, so that patients presenting with acute and potentially life-threatening attacks receive the most appropriate care.

Supporting survey data:



of surveyed people have experienced at least one HAE attack in the last 3 months. Of those having attacks, the majority (82%) self-reported that their symptoms are at least fairly severe.

Surveyed people living with HAE have 6 attacks on average in past 3 months.

Our policy ask(s):

- A universally recognised HAE ID should be introduced for patients to present in an **A&E setting** post-diagnosis to help ensure patients receive the care they need in an emergency presentation.
- 2 Educational intervention should be introduced during medical training to increase awareness of the signs of HAE in all healthcare settings but especially in A&E.
- 3 Online and easily accessible education materials on the signs and symptoms of HAE should be more widely **publicised** to healthcare professionals.

Improved access to psychological support when a patient needs it would help those with HAE to better manage the mental and physical health impact of living with their condition.

Supporting survey data:



of surveyed people living with the effects of HAE and their carers feel their HAE impacts their mental health at least to some extent.



1 in 5 (21%) of surveyed people living with the effects of HAE and their carers would find one-to-one therapy useful to help better manage their HAE.



of surveyed people living with the effects of HAE and their carers feel worried about having an HAE attack in next 12 months.

n=109 (all)

Our policy ask(s):

- The NHS should provide greater access to psychologists for all HAE patients. This would especially help patients who may not **regularly** engage with the **health system**, other than in crisis.
- Access to psychological support services should be embedded in patients' management plans, particularly to help address **anxiety** amongst patients about changing their treatment.
- Specialist psychological intervention should be targeted to those most in need, where the condition may have a significant impact on their mental and physical health.



