

Better Care Fund – Integration Executive

Integration Resources - February 2019

A. NHS Long Term Plan explained

To view summaries of the NHS Long Term Plan from the King's Fund and NHS Confederation, please visit:

- NHS Confederation Briefing - <https://www.nhsconfed.org/resources/2019/01/long-term-plan-briefing>
 - King's Fund Summary - <https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/nhs-long-term-plan-explained>
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B. Integrated Care central to Long Term Plan delivery

Integrated care, which brings together local organisations to deliver joined-up, personalised care, lies at the heart of the Long Term Plan – the national blueprint to ensure an NHS fit for the future.

Several areas across England are already delivering care in this way, collaborating with local partners to break down traditional barriers between care institutions, teams and funding streams. Many were featured in the media around the launch, including:

- Bradford, where staff from the NHS, local council and voluntary sector are working together to prevent unnecessary hospitalisations and tackling the wider causes of poor health (listen from 1 hour 34 minutes via <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m0001w2z>).
- Dorset, where a 'virtual ward' bringing together doctors, nurses, social care staff, physiotherapists and others, is keeping frail elderly people well at home and out of hospital (see <https://www.channel4.com/news/may-hails-launch-of-10-year-nhs-plan-for-england-as-historic>).
- Epsom, where a dedicated multidisciplinary team is keeping elderly patients out of hospital and supporting them to live as independently as they can (see https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3onovg_W0M&list=PLW8kFrw2tkYERyYC66nV50oUcu408XDnB&index=3&t=0s).
- South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw, where a collaborative approach to procurement between hospitals has saved more than £2 million (see <https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/political-interview-how-three-decades->

[of-caring-for-patients-is-helping-prof-des-breen-shape-healthcare-in-south-yorkshire-1-9500581](#)).

Visit the Long Term Plan website to download the document and access a range of case studies at <https://www.longtermplan.nhs.uk/>

C. High Intensity Users: Reducing the burden on Accident & Emergency Departments

Following an analysis of high intensity user (HIU) attendances to the accident and emergency (A&E) department commissioned by a clinical commissioning group (CCG), Dr Foster carried out a detailed analysis of A&E attendances nationally. To view the report please visit

<https://files.constantcontact.com/9bc520cb001/3d9db518-b5d6-4119-a966-cfd7815dd6dd.pdf>

D. Social Care Digital Innovation Programme

The LGA in collaboration with NHS Digital is grant funding digital innovation in social care, with projects ranging from new assistive technology to data analytics to predict demand. Case studies, lessons learned, and evaluation reports from existing grant programmes will be regularly added for 31 funded projects. For more information please visit www.local.gov.uk/scdip

E. NHS Long-Term Plan: patients and staff hold the keys to better care

To view this article from the Guardian newspaper, please visit

<https://amp.theguardian.com/society/2019/jan/11/nhs-long-term-plan-patients-staff>

F. Developments of Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships and Integrated Care Systems

NHS IMAS recently ran a Webinar event with a focus on the developments of Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships and integrated Care Systems.

This session followed on from the last STP/ICS session (last year) and will look at developing policies for STPs and ICSs to fulfil the vision set out in the Long Term Plan. Specifically the session looked at the developments in governance

for integrated care systems across the country, including how the new Plan and proposals for legislative change could support the integration agenda.

This session was delivered by Gerard Hanratty, a Partner in Browne Jacobson's Public Law Team.

To view the webinar, please visit <https://www.nhsimas.nhs.uk/news-and-publications/news/news-item/article/developments-of-sustainability-and-transformation-partnerships-and-integrated-care-systems/>

G. NHS efficiency map

The HFMA, NHS Improvement and NHS England have worked in partnership to update and revise the NHS efficiency map. The map is a tool that promotes best practice in identifying, delivering and monitoring cost improvement programmes (CIPs) and quality, innovation, production and prevention (QIPP) schemes in the NHS. The map contains links to a range of tools and guidance to help NHS bodies improve their efficiency.

To view the map please visit <https://www.hfma.org.uk/publications/details/nhs-efficiency-map>

H. Are patients benefitting from better integrated care?

To view data from the Nuffield Trust please visit https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/public/files/2019-01/integrated_care/