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"The year of a general election brings a flurry of publications examining the health of public services with recommendations for reform which is the focus of this bulletin".



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Reform

- **IPPR. Great government: public service reform in the 2020s.** This report examines the role of Government by focusing on the challenges facing the NHS, schools, and the justice system in the UK and sets out a plan for progress. This means delivering the three P's of public service reform: *prevention, personalisation and productivity*- <https://ippr-org.files.svdcn.com/production/Downloads/Great-government-Dec-23.pdf>.
- **Health Foundation/NHS Confederation. Improving health and care at scale. Learning from the experience of systems.** The long-term intention is that ICSs become “sustainable self-improving systems”. Alongside this publication, the Health Foundation, Q community and NHS Confederation are launching a joint learning and improvement offer to support ongoing shared learning across the UK between local health systems- [Improving health and care at scale \(nhsconfed.org\)](https://nhsconfed.org).
- **REFORM. Reimagining health. A framing paper.** What will it take to move from an overburdened sickness service to a sustainable health creating system? This paper is the start of a thinking process of evolution to new ways of working- [Microsoft Word - REFORM - CONFIDENTIAL HEALTH FRAMING DOCUMENT.docx](#).
- **Health Foundation/REAL Centre. The unsustainable is not sustained. Why productivity is fundamental to the future of the NHS.** This is the NHS Diane Coyle REAL Challenge Annual Lecture which challenges us to think in a systematic way about what we want the NHS to do.

Lecture slides here: [PowerPoint Presentation \(health.org.uk\)](#).

Lecture Video here: <https://www.health.org.uk/about-the-health-foundation/get-involved/events/what-will-the-nhs-look-like-at-100>
- **UK 2024. Health - the choices.** This paper considers the fundamental choices ahead for the next government. The UK 2040 Options project will be tackling these choices and debates and considering policy options in more depth in the next phases of their work- [Health Choices in Options template \(options2040.co.uk\)](#).
- **DEMOS. Recovery through reform launch paper of the future public services task force.** The Future Public Services Taskforce will produce a cross-cutting public service reform strategy for central government. This launch paper describes the context facing public services today and how the Taskforce will respond to that context- [Recovery-through-Reform Paper.pdf \(demos.co.uk\)](#).
- **NHS Confederation. Transforming health and wellbeing services through population health management.** This paper considers the implications for the NHS if it is to adopt a more proactive role in prevention. There will need to be new approaches to funding and governance and changing perceptions if such transformation are to be successful- [Transformation-and-equitable-resource-allocation.pdf \(nhsconfed.org\)](#).

- **NHS IMPACT (Improving Patient Care Together).** NHS IMPACT is the new, single, shared NHS improvement approach which has five components:
 - [Building a shared purpose and vision](#)
 - [Investing in people and culture](#)
 - [Developing leadership behaviours](#)
 - [Building improvement capability and capacity](#)
 - [Embedding into management systems and processes](#)
- **Centre for Economic Performance/Resolution Foundation/Nuffield Foundation. The Economy 2030 Inquiry. The final report. Ending Stagnation. A New Economic Strategy for Britain.** See page 27 for “A Stagnation Nation” in 10 key facts- [Ending Stagnation: A New Economic Strategy for Britain \(resolutionfoundation.org\)](#).
- **Centre for Progressive Policy. Crumbling Foundations. The impact of failing public services on health and productivity.** This paper makes the economic case for investment in public services to improve population health, productivity and fiscal sustainability- [CPP | Crumbling foundations \(progressive-policy.net\)](#).
- **European Observatory. Trust: the foundation of health systems.** Trust underpins the solidarity that enables quality health care. It is central to the complex interplay of relationships that shape health outcomes- [Trust: The foundation of health systems \(who.int\)](#).

Poverty

- **Joseph Rowntree Foundation. UK Poverty 2024: The essential guide to understanding poverty in the UK.** This report tells us who is worst affected, how levels have changed over time and what the future prospects might be. In short, poverty in the UK is deepening. The deeper we look, the faster it is rising. People in poverty are moving further and further below the poverty line- [Ending Child Poverty: why and how by Child Poverty Action Group - Issuu](#).
- **CPAG. Ending child poverty why and how.** This report sets out the damage being done and how to stop it- [Ending Child Poverty: why and how by Child Poverty Action Group - Issuu](#)
- **ABRDN Financial Fairness Trust. The U.K.’s inadequate and unfair safety net briefing.** Working age benefits no longer providing enough financial support for some groups’ basic needs. This paper examines the reasons and proposes a fair, reasonable and reliable safety net for those without work- [Safety Net Briefing layout 2 \(financialfairness.org.uk\)](#).
- **IMPACTS OF RISING COST OF LIVING ON LONDON.** This resource provides the context of the cost of living crisis in London only, and should be read alongside the accompanying rapid review of evidence for interventions to mitigate the impacts of the rising cost of living on London, which contains the recommendations for action- [click-here-to-view-the-slides.pdf \(instituteofhealthequity.org\)](#).

Prevention, promotion and protection.

- **ASH, OHA, AHA. Holding us back: tobacco, alcohol and unhealthy food and drink.** A combined report from Action on Smoking and Health (ASH), the Obesity Health Alliance (OHA) and the Alcohol Health Alliance (AHA) advocating for a coherent health policy approach. "These products are profitable for industry (a total of £53 billion of combined industry revenue) at the expense of wider costs to society"- [Holding-us-back-report-FINAL.pdf \(ahauk.org\)](#).
- **Suicide prevention: Policy and strategy.** An overview of suicide prevention strategies across the UK nations- [CBP-8221.pdf \(parliament.uk\)](#).
- **The Health Foundation. Moving to healthy homes.** This paper sets out the health case for change, outline the principles to create healthy homes (including through the Decent Homes Standard) and call for a long-term strategy to ensure healthy homes for all- [Moving to healthy homes - The Health Foundation](#).
- **Cancer Research UK. Longer, better lives: a manifesto for cancer research and care.** See chapter 3 Prevent page 77 smoking , obesity and air pollution- [Longer, better lives: A programme for UK government for cancer research and care \(cancerresearchuk.org\)](#).
- **Warm spaces in England: an evidence review and toolkit.** A toolkit to support organisations seeking to develop or evaluate a warm space for their local population during the winter- [Warm spaces in England: an evidence review and toolkit for local organisations - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#).
- **The Association of Directors of Public Health Policy Position: policy papers.** Life course topics, public health topics public health system topics. All here: [Our policies | ADPH](#).
- **Domestic Policy Council Office of Science and Technology. The U.S. Playbook to address social determinants of health.** Improving health and well-being across America requires addressing the social circumstances and related environmental hazards and exposures that impact health outcomes. Achieving health equity in the United States will require concerted efforts to directly address the influence of all forms of health inequities- [SDOH-Playbook-4.pdf \(whitehouse.gov\)](#).

Weight management and obesity

- **American Academy of Paediatrics. Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Treatment of Children and Adolescents with Obesity.** This is the AAP's first clinical practice guideline (CPG) outlining evidence-based evaluation and treatment of children and adolescents with overweight and obesity. This guideline does not cover the prevention of obesity, which will be addressed in a forthcoming AAP policy statement- [Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Treatment of Children and Adolescents With Obesity | Pediatrics | American Academy of Pediatrics \(aap.org\)](#).
- **The Association of Directors of Public Health Policy Position: Healthy Weigh-** [Healthy-Weight-Policy-Position-Statement-2023-1.pdf \(adph.org.uk\)](#).

Loughborough University. Active mile briefing: evidence and policy summary

- A briefing for public health teams, commissioners, schools, headteachers and teachers- [Active mile briefing: evidence and policy summary \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk/).

Research related

- **University of York. Equity in Health Policy (EQUIPOL) Beyond the Average. Making Fairer Decisions for Public Health. The equity impact approach.** This short report shows that the existing methods available to, and deployed by, agencies such as NICE are not fit for purpose so need to be replaced. 3 recommendations- [Beyond-the-average-making-fairer-decisions-for-public-health.pdf \(york.ac.uk\)](https://york.ac.uk/).

Sustainable development

- **Health Effects of Climate Change (HECC) in the UK.** The Health Effects of Climate Change in the UK report brings together up to date evidence to inform policies and actions to secure health- [Health Effects of Climate Change in the UK: state of the evidence 2023 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk/).
- **HoC briefing. What was agreed at COP28?** An overview, what were the goals and what was achieved?- [CBP-9909.pdf \(parliament.uk\)](https://parliament.uk/)
- **UK natural capital accounts: 2023.** Estimates of the financial and societal value of natural resources to people in the UK- [UK natural capital accounts - Office for National Statistics \(ons.gov.uk\)](https://ons.gov.uk/).

Children's care

- **County Councils Network (CCN) Valuing Care. Using data to improve children and young people's lives.** This report evidences that the 'broken' care market is the key driver of significant increases in cost. Using and applying intelligence on needs and costs to commissioning and practice can help to tackle this challenge – as demonstrated by the experience of the group of local authorities contributing to this report- [New report sets out how using data on needs and cost could improve young people's lives and outcomes - County Councils Network](https://ccn.org.uk/).
- **Children's Commissioner. Missing Children, Missing Grades.** This report looks at the relationship between school attendance and academic attainment. Worryingly, over 120,000 children are missing at least half of their time in school- [CC A4 HEADER \(childrenscommissioner.gov.uk\)](https://childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/).
- **APPG Young Carers and Young Adult Carers. Inquiry into the life opportunities of young carers and young adult carers.** Being a young carer can also greatly affect their future life chances compared to their peers. It shows that without proper identification and support, many young carers and young adult carers feel alone and are at risk of falling behind their peers without caring responsibilities- appg-for-young-carers-and-young-adults-carers-report1r.pdf.

ICS related

- **Healthy Places.** Supporting broader social and economic development is new territory for many integrated care systems, and this paper should provide vital food for thought as to how this objective can be addressed- [\[Report Title\] \(cles.org.uk\)](#).
- **HOUSE OF LORDS Integration of Primary and Community Care Committee. Patients at the centre: integrating primary and community care.** This report examines how we can ensure that primary and community healthcare services are readily available and seamlessly integrated, to provide holistic care for individuals and communities. Four key obstacles—structures and organisation, contracts, data-sharing, and workforce hinder the implementation of integration policies in the health service. This report addresses each obstacle and puts forward recommendations to mitigate their effects- [Patients at the centre: integrating primary and community care \(parliament.uk\)](#).

Inequalities and equity related

- **Institute of. Health Equity. Skills and health inequalities in London.** Many recommendations applicable outside London- [read-the-report.pdf \(instituteofhealthequity.org\)](#).
- **Infant mortality and health inequalities.** This short research briefing examines the progress to date in reducing deaths during both the neonatal (first 28 days) and post-neonatal (28 days to 1 year) periods, collectively referred to as 'infant mortality'. It particularly focuses on persistent inequalities in infant mortality rates by geographical area, ethnicity and socio-economic group- [CBP-9904.pdf \(parliament.uk\)](#).
- **DIABETES tackling INEQUALITY Commission report:**
 - Seven areas for action:**
 1. Anti-racism – be bold
 2. Address deprivation – be proactive
 3. Environments – be supportive
 4. Data and insights – be specific
 5. Representation – be diverse
 6. Co-creation – be inclusive
 7. Sustainability – be persistent

[366 Tackling Inequality Commission Report DIGITAL.pdf \(amazonaws.com\)](#).



NHS improvement

- **DEMOS. PREVENTING NEEDLESS HARMS CAUSED BY POOR COMMUNICATIONS IN THE NHS.** Good communication is fundamental to the quality of care and treatment that people receive and the levels of trust and satisfaction they feel. Communication and supporting administration should not be seen as a 'nice to have', but as fundamental to the functioning of the NHS- [Preventing-needless-harms-caused-by-poor-comms-in-the-NHS-1.pdf \(demos.co.uk\)](#).
- **Health Innovation Network. Implementation, readiness and resourcing. A practical guide to the adoption and spread of health innovation programmes.** A practical guide based on learning from 15 Health Innovation. Networks with a focus on ADHD- [A practical guide to innovation implementation readiness and resourcing.pdf \(healthinnovation-em.org.uk\)](#).

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