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This month's theme is Children and Young People's Mental Health



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Consultations

- **Informing the Mental health Strategy for England** The government are seeking practical examples and implementation evidence to inform a mental health strategy for England. This call for evidence closes at **11:59pm on 10 July 2026**. [Read More](#) | [Call for Evidence](#)

Child Health

- **Milburn Report: Young people and work (interim report)** '6 in 10 young people who are NEET today have never had a job, up from 4 in 10 in 2005. There is a long-term scarring effect which being NEET exacts on a young life.' [Read More](#)
- **House of Lords Library: Welfare reforms and youth unemployment** This briefing sets out statistics, government policy and commentary on welfare and youth employment. [Read More](#)
- **Health Foundation: Young people with mental health conditions are now more likely to be NEET** This analysis examines the relationship between the number of young people who are not in education, employment or training (NEET) and the prevalence of mental health conditions. [Read More](#)
- **Centre for Mental Health: Supporting a Whole-School Approach to Wellbeing** An evaluation and summary evidence review of myHappyMind. [Read More](#)
- **LANCET: Advancing health-care access to optimise health and quality of life for children and young people with Down Syndrome worldwide** Lessons for many long-term conditions here. [Read More](#)
- **House of Lords: Autism Act 2009 Committee Report: Recommendations, government response and recent developments** The committee's recommendations for the forthcoming autism strategy. [Read More](#)
- **Nuffield Foundation: 'Higgledy piggledy' – Systems of support for young people aged 14–24 with poor mental health** This report explores what is known about the prevalence of poor mental health in this age group and the support provided. [Read More](#)
- **GOV.UK Policy Paper: Cutting youth crime, changing young lives** The youth justice system reform and delivery plan. [Read More](#)

Public Health

- **WHO: Exposing marketing tactics and strategies driving the global growth of nicotine pouches** This new report highlights the industry's intensive use of youth-frequented social media to advertise emerging products like nicotine pouches and aims



to help countries understand how the tobacco industry promotes nicotine pouches and how they can be effectively regulated. [Read More](#)

- **DHSC Guidance: Providing healthcare public health advice to integrated care boards** This guidance does not set out strict rules, it explains the arrangements and skills needed to deliver effective healthcare public health advice to ICBs. [Read More](#)
- **UKSHA Guidance: Flu vaccination in schools** Flu vaccination guidance and resources for schools. [Read More](#)
- **UKSHA0 Guidance: Adolescent vaccination programme in secondary schools for 2026 to 2027** Information on the adolescent vaccination programme delivered in secondary schools and the role that schools play. [Read More](#)
- **UKSHA: STI Prioritisation Framework** An evidence-based framework to inform local prioritisation decisions for sexually transmitted infection (STI) control. [Read More](#)
- **DEMOS: A Nation of Neighbours** We can be a nation of neighbours, not an island of strangers. This report makes the case for a different kind of politics: one that shares power, backs local leadership and recognises that strong communities are not a barrier to change, but the foundation of it. [Read More](#)
- **House of Lords: Artificial Intelligence – Impact on human relationships and society** This briefing also provides a short overview and suggested further reading on AI's other impacts on society. [Read More](#)

NHS 10-Year Plan

- **European Observatory: Paying for Health – Learning from International Experience in Health Financing** Paying for Health brings together insights from over 50 global experts to provide a vital analysis of health care financing around the world, explaining issues related to funding both health and social care. [Read More](#)
- **King's Fund: Explaining the Health Bill (NHS Modernisation Bill 2026): what does it mean for health and care?** The Bill presents both opportunities and risks. Its most promising element is the potential to link data and improve coordination of care through a single patient record; biggest risk is that organisational change absorbs leadership attention and capacity without delivering tangible improvements for patients. [Read More](#)
- **King's Fund: Innovation, economic growth, medtech and the NHS: from strategy to delivery** This thought piece explores how the NHS, life sciences and medtech sectors can better translate national innovation into real-world delivery, patient benefit and economic growth. [Read More](#)

Poverty and Inequity

- **House of Lords: Child poverty – government policy** The outcomes from the 2024 Poverty Taskforce. [Read More](#)



- **UKSHA: Health equity strategies, reports and tools** This collection includes overarching UKHSA strategies, reports and tools, which have a focus on health equity within health protection in England. [Read More](#)
- **Lancet: Prevalence of adverse childhood experience items: a systematic review and meta-analyses** The aim of this study is to synthesise the prevalence of ACE items in adults. The findings underscore the global burden of ACEs and point to the need for structural and child-rights approaches to prevention. [Read More](#)
- **JAMA: Investments in Childhood Community Resources and Subsequent Adult Health Outcomes** In this cohort study of US urban adults, greater childhood exposure to community resource spending was associated with improved overall and cardiovascular health in adulthood [Read More](#)
- **Lancet: Adverse childhood experiences in children and youth experiencing homelessness: a systematic review and meta-analysis** Pooled estimates for physical and sexual abuse are markedly higher than general-population estimates [Read More](#)
- **JAMA: The effects of the Rx Kids unconditional cash prescription programme during pregnancy and infancy on birth outcomes in the USA: a population-based, quasi-experimental study** Every expectant mother provided with unconditional cash transfers during pregnancy and infancy outcome: significant reductions in adverse birth outcomes. [Read More](#)
- **JAMA: Trials That Inform Health Policy – A Bridge Too Far?** The challenges facing evaluation of policy interventions. [Read More](#)

Sustainable Development

- **The 2026 Europe report of the *Lancet* Countdown on health and climate change: narrowing window for decisive health action** The report features seven new indicators, methodological updates, extended time series for existing indicators, and highlights inequalities in health risks and impacts where possible. [Read More](#)
- **King's Fund: Environmental sustainability in the NHS** A new approach to national leadership and accountability. [Read More](#)
- **CCC: Well-Adapted UK – The Fourth Independent Assessment of UK Climate Risk (CCR)** The intent of this report is to kickstart the delivery of change. We can learn from what has worked for reducing emissions in terms of clear targets and policies. We can learn from examples of effective adaptation in parts of the UK and around the world. [Read More](#)

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Positive News: Five practical ways to feel better and make a difference. [Read More](#)



BACAPH News

- **BACAPH/BACCH: CHAMPIONING THEIR FUTURE: a Guide for Child and Family Advocacy** This advocacy guide is a tool for health professionals to use to effect policy change. What has often been missing in formal training is advocacy and this guide is intended to go some way towards correcting that omission. [Read More](#) | With an adaptable PowerPoint here [Read More](#)
- **Joint Webinar from FPH Alcohol Special Interest Group and BACAPH** Title: *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Translating Evidence Into Public Health Action* | Speaker: Penny Cook, Professor of Public Health, University of Salford | Date: Weds 9 Sept 2026, 1pm to 2pm. *Joining details to follow*

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