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BACAPH News

- **Upcoming Webinar with FPH: [FASD in Practice: Identifying, Assessing and Supporting Children, Young People and Adults - Faculty of Public Health](#)** 12.00 Wednesday 11th November

Consultations

- **Your Voice: Building a Better Future for Maternity and Neonatal Care** The reviews are clear. Staff who know maternity and neonatal care best need to help shape how we deliver the future together. [Read More](#)
- **GMC: Public Consultation on Professional Standards: 0–18 and Protecting Children and Young People** Draft guidelines here: [Read More](#) | Survey here: [Read More](#)

Public Health

- **Lancet: Fit for the Future: From Siloed to Integrated Public Health Systems** Three interconnected priorities: (1) embedding public health in cross-sectoral governance frameworks (2) strengthening data to support public health investment and budgeting, (3) accelerating digital transformation to increase analytical ability, targeted public health intervention, and public trust. [Read More](#)
- **Lancet: The role of cities in public health** Cities are now at the centre of public health both because of their agile governance structures and because of their susceptibility to health-harming urban environments. [Read More](#)
- **Beyond GDP Insights: UK Headline Measures of National Wellbeing: September 2026** Exploring quality of life and progress beyond GDP in the UK, drawing on the 59 national wellbeing measures published annually and the seven headline measures published quarterly.
- **Future Generations (Wales) Annual Report 2025-2026: A Year of Impact, Powering Change** Reports the progress for 2025-26. [Read More](#)
- **Public Health Wales: Why Gender Matters - Child Poverty and Health Inequalities** Gender influences how resources, risks and opportunities are distributed across the life course and this report explores how it operates as a structural determinant of economic insecurity, which in turn affects health and well-being of children. [Read More](#)



- **Impact of the Ultra-Low Emission Zone on lung function growth in children in London, UK: a prospective parallel cohort study** A comparison between London before and after ULEZ with Luton. [Read More](#)
- **King's Fund: Have we kicked the habit? The rise of youth vaping and the next phase of tobacco control** [The rise of vaping among young people](#) who have never smoked raises a different set of public health questions. [Read More](#)
- **ASH: Use of vapes and other novel tobacco and nicotine products among young people in Great Britain** 19% of 11–17-year-olds have tried vaping (an estimated 1.1 million); 6% currently vape. [Read More](#)
- **BBC: Ketamine Concerns** Report on the concerning rise in children as young as 13 attending specialist clinics with bladder damage caused by ketamine use. [Read More](#)
- **Youth Endowment Fund: Policing, Children and Violence** Practice guidance for senior police leaders on reducing children's involvement in violence. [Read More](#)

Child Health

- **NHSE: Achieving Excellent Patient Experience** The 5 experience care pillars - accessible, trusting, valuing what matters, addressing needs supporting self-care. [Read More](#)
- **NCB: Policy Briefing - The importance of health visiting for babies and their families** Evidence from the A Better Start Programme with 5 recommendations. [Read More](#)
- **HoC Research Briefing: School Exclusions in England** Exclusions from schools in England have risen post-pandemic. This paper discusses trends, some potential causes, and related government policy. [Read More](#)
- **HoC FAQ: Autism statistics (England)** FAQ about autism statistics in England, including new and closed referrals, waiting lists, and waiting times. [Read More](#)
- **HoC FAQ: ADHD statistics (England)** Frequently Asked Questions about ADHD statistics in England, including prevalence, waiting lists, and waiting times. [Read More](#)
- **The Schools White Paper 2026: Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Reform** An introduction to the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) reforms published in the 2026 Schools White Paper. [Read More](#)

- **GIRFT: National Report on Children and Young Adults with Diabetes** Three overarching recommendations for ICBs Leadership and accountability data, intelligence and insight, standardisation of care. [Read More](#)
- **Independent Review of Early Deaths of Care Leavers: Report** The report of the independent review of deaths among care-experienced young adults in England. The report identifies 3 key learning themes: being alone and readiness for adulthood, the drop in levels of support, workforce to help young people make the transition to adulthood. [Read More](#)
- **FPH: Growing Up in an Online World** Report of the FPH Formal Response to the Department for Science, Innovation, and Technology (DSIT) National Consultation. [Read More](#)
- **HoC: Mobile phones in schools (England)** A short overview of policy relating to mobile phone use in English schools, and related discussions. [Read More](#)
- **OHID Collection: Migrant Health Guide** Advice and guidance on the health needs of migrant patients for healthcare practitioners. [Read More](#)

NHS 10-Year Plan

- **Health Foundation: Breaking the cycle - How to build a more productive NHS** The long-awaited report on productivity and value, a must read. [Read More](#)
- **Implementing quality management systems (QMS) in the NHS** The case for moving from reacting to problems towards managing quality proactively. [Read More](#)
- **Health Foundation: Breaking the Cycle** How to build a more productive NHS from the NHS Productivity Commission. [Read More](#)
- **MHRA: National Commission into the Regulation of AI in healthcare: recommendations for a future regulatory framework** Recommendations from the National Commission into the Regulation of AI in Healthcare, which was established to advise government on a future regulatory framework for AI in healthcare. [Read More](#)
- **Public Policy Projects (PPP): Beyond productivity: delivering high-quality, efficient healthcare** 'Data matters, but only when connected to story, leadership, culture and action'. [Read More](#)

- **Public Policy Projects (PPP): Why NHS transformation fails: what leaders can do about it** The report sets out a series of early warning signs, described as the Ceva Signals, for leaders overseeing major change. [Read More](#)
- **Strategy Unit: Could the concept of failure demand help improve the NHS?** The hidden work holding back NHS productivity. Failure demand - the additional work created when services fail to meet people's needs effectively the first time - offers a different way of understanding this challenge. [Read More](#)
- **NHS Employers: Empowering safe and confident AI adoption** Case study. Health Innovation Manchester shares how it supported safe adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) through governance, culture and staff-led learning. [Read More](#)
- **NHS Employers: Building the case for organisation development and workplace culture** A practical guide to influencing your organisation to invest in organisation development (OD) and the importance of workplace culture. [Read More](#)
- **DHSC: Children's public health nursing: workforce and activity, 2025** Official statistics in development on healthy child programme activity, school nursing services and associated workforces in England in 2025. [Read More](#)
- **Archives of Disease in Childhood Viewpoint: Protected time for integration: reclaiming community as a professional obligation** 'Child population health capability must therefore accompany protected time, including skills in local data, partnership working, health promotion, facilitation and power-sharing.' [Read More](#)
- **Health Foundation: The public's views on the regulation of AI in health care** Findings from deliberative research and public polling and implications for policy. [Read More](#)
- **King's Fund: The future of patient feedback** 'Put simply, it is time for a change'. [Read More](#)

Poverty and Inequity

- **Centre for Mental Health: Place, Inequalities and Children and Young People's Mental Health** Improving children and young people's mental health requires a shift beyond individual-level interventions. Effective responses must address both the physical

environments in which children and families live and the social relationships that shape their everyday experiences. [Read More](#)

- **Lancet: Childhood socioeconomic circumstances and adult mortality: a systematic review and meta-analysis** A synthesis of evidence on associations between childhood socioeconomic circumstances and adult all-cause and cause-specific mortality. [Read More](#)
- **HoC. High cost of living: Impact on households** This briefing covers how the high period of inflation in the UK from 2021 to 2024 continues to affect household incomes, spending, poverty, savings and debt. [Read More](#)
- **Food Poverty: Households, food banks and free school meals** This paper provides statistics on household food insecurity, food bank usage and free school meals in the UK, and tracks the impact of rising living costs. [Read More](#)

Sustainable Development

- **Lancet 2026 Europe Cities Report: Countdown on health and climate change: cities at the forefront of climate change action** A systematic, policy-relevant set of climate change and health indicators for European cities. [Read More](#)
- **University of Exeter: Positive Tipping Points - Accelerating system change to repair our planet** This report applies the science of positive tipping points to the five Earthshots: Protect and Restore Nature, Clean Our Air, Revive Our Oceans, Build a Waste-free World, and Fix Our Climate. [Read More](#)
- **Wildlife Trust: Unlocking Nature for All** How to increase access to nature for a fairer, healthier country. [Read More](#)
- **Lancet: Development, implementation, and evaluation of a Planetary Health menu in a Canadian hospital: an experimental study** This study implemented a plant-rich menu for hospital inpatients, meeting the nutritional needs and constraints of an acute care setting, then evaluated this menu's acceptability to patients, proving it is possible to achieve considerable environmental benefits. [Read More](#)

Learning Content

- **Quality improvement in paediatrics** [Read More](#)



- **Vaccines for cancer. A Translational Science Review** A progress report. [Read More](#)

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