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BACAPH Webinar

- Many thanks to everyone who attended the webinar on 28th January with Dr Lucy Pickard. Dr Pickard spoke on 'The CHILDS programme: Individual medicine, population health and integrating care for children in South East London', and we are very grateful to her for giving such a fascinating and helpful presentation. If you attended the session and have not yet given feedback, you can do so [via this link](#).
- A recording will shortly be made available via the BACAPH website – please check back next week.

Consultations

- **Child Protection Authority** This consultation seeks views on the CPA's proposed functions, governance, and interaction with existing bodies. [Read More](#)

Child Health

- **Youth Endowment Fund (YEF): Children, violence and vulnerability 2025** YEF surveyed nearly 11,000 teenage children aged 13-17 in England and Wales about their experiences of violence. The results are being shared across 4 separate reports: The scale of Violence Affecting Children; Violence in Relationships; Mental Health and Experiences of Violence; and Exploitation and Gangs. [Read More](#)
- **NHSE: A national framework to deliver improved outcomes in all-age autism assessment pathways: guidance for integrated care boards** This national framework sets out the principles that should underpin the planning, design and delivery of an autism assessment pathway. [Read More](#)
- **BMJ PaedsOpen: Health promotion through reading in the first thousand days: a systematic review and meta-analysis** This research aims to systematically review evidence on shared group activity in the first thousand days, including also their caregivers, exploring the following outcomes: children's language skills, cognitive development, prosocial behaviour, parent-child relationship, reading habits, health literacy, quality of life and empowerment. [Read More](#)
- **Policy paper: Youth Matters – Your National Youth Strategy** The National Youth Strategy sets out how the government will work together with partners to respond to young peoples' priorities over the next decade. [Read More](#)
- **Centre for Young Lives: Best Start – A Fresh Start for Child and Family Support** The evidence is clear – when delivered well, integrated, place-based family support is transformative for the lives of children and their families. [Part 1](#) | [Part 2](#)
- **HoL: Looked After Children** This briefing examines the demographics of looked after children and what can be done to improve the current system. [Read More](#)
- **Gov.UK Press release: Government extends free NHS services for care leavers** Free prescriptions, dental and eyecare services for children leaving care. [Read More](#)

- **MMRV vaccination: information for healthcare professionals** This guidance for healthcare professionals describes eligibility, administration and safety, and answers frequently asked questions about the new vaccination programme. [Read More](#)
- **DEMOS: Inside the Mind of a 16-Year-Old** This essay is the result of a journey across the country made by two unique thinkers with contrasting experiences. [Read More](#)

Public Health

- **JRF DEMOS: 'Barely getting by' – Experiences of employment, insecurity and hardship today** This report has provided a unique qualitative dive into the experiences of some of the most vulnerable people in today's economy: those who are unemployed, self-employed, or in insecure work. [Read More](#)
- **IPPR: It Takes a Village – Empowering families and communities to improve children's health** A new kind of statecraft – rooted in the everyday lives of families and communities – is essential if we are to build the healthiest generation of children ever. [Read More](#)
- **BMJ: Feeding Profit – how the food and drinks industry (FDI) is one of the key drivers of the global epidemic of childhood overweight and obesity** A commentary of the UNICEF report entitled [Feeding Profit: how food environments are failing children](#). [Read More](#)
- **HoL: Including societal and economic benefits in vaccine health technology assessments** The pros and cons of differing assessment strategies on the value of vaccines. [Read More](#)

NHS Ten-Year Plan

- **DHSC Impact statement: The 10-Year Health Plan for England** This impact statement explains the rationale for, and potential effects of, a number of measures outlined in the plan. [Read More](#)
- **Academic Medicine: Defining and Implementing Value-Based Health Care: A Strategic Framework** 'Some descriptions conflate value-based health care and cost reduction, quality improvement, or patient satisfaction, those efforts – while important – are not the same as value, which focuses primarily on improving patient health outcomes'. [Read More](#)

Poverty/Equity

- **HMG: Our Children, Our Future: Tackling Child Poverty** Strategy document setting out the government's ambitious decade long mission to tackle the drivers of child poverty across the UK. [Read More](#)



- **HoC Library: Deep material poverty: How many children are going without essentials?** Complements the child poverty strategy [Read More](#)
- **CLES: Integrated care systems and strategic authorities: Coming together to tackle health inequalities and the wider determinants of health** This paper sets out recent policy and their implications for ICSs and SAs; then explores how mayors, strategic authorities, and integrated care boards (ICBs), can tackle inequalities. [Read More](#)
- **Health Foundation: Evidence Hub – What drives health inequalities?** Data, insights and analysis exploring how the circumstances in which we live shape our health [Read More](#)
- **BMJ Viewpoint: Integrated early years care and government policy to address child health inequalities: lessons from the UK and international contexts** This viewpoint draws on UK and international evidence to outline key implementation strategies and policy enablers for addressing child poverty and scaling up integrated care models that improve outcomes for children living in such circumstances. [Read More](#)

Sustainable Development

- **Environmental Lessons Learned and Applied (ELLA): a new framework for identifying, prioritising and implementing decarbonisation interventions in clinical care pathways** A multidisciplinary framework for designing rapidly deployable, scalable and context-specific decarbonisation interventions for clinical care has been developed within the NHS devised at a care pathway level. [Read More](#)

International

Lancet: Microplastic and nanoplastic pollution and associated potential disease risks This Review summarises evidence on potential disease risks of human exposure to MNPs. [Read More](#)

Featured Websites

- **RCP: A physician's guide to sustainable clinical practice** [Read More](#)
- **Evidence Hub: What drives health inequalities?** [Read More](#)
- **Cambridge University: A Toolkit for Engineering Better Care** [Read More](#)

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