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Virtual working and virtual care

In response to the pandemic, the Chartered Institute for Personnel and Development (CIPD) has produced guidance and recommendations on hybrid and virtual working.

Effective hybrid working focuses on people management, recruitment and induction, inclusion and fairness, and health, safety and wellbeing.

Developing effective virtual teams identifies challenges faced by virtual teams and suggests a range of factors which can contribute to effective virtual working.

Meanwhile, **Integration and innovation in action** from the NHS Confederation takes an in-depth look at how NHS organisations are using virtual care to improve outcomes for patients and local communities. Virtual care has proved a critical lifeline throughout the pandemic, and NHS organisations are starting to embed the innovations they want to keep. However, while virtual care has several merits, it is not a silver bullet for all the challenges facing the NHS. Concerns have been raised over its potential to exacerbate health inequalities and widen the digital divide.

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NICE – COVID-19 Rapid Guideline

COVID-19 rapid guideline: managing COVID-19

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng191

COVID-19 rapid guideline: managing the long-term effects of COVID-19

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng188

NICE – Guideline

Suspected cancer: recognition and referral

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng12

Type 2 diabetes in adults: management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng28

Ectopic pregnancy and miscarriage: diagnosis and initial management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng126

Prostate cancer: diagnosis and management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng131

Fever in under 5s: assessment and initial management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng143

Headaches in over 12s: diagnosis and management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg150

Colorectal cancer

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng151

Acute heart failure: diagnosis and management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg187

Chronic kidney disease: assessment and management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng203

Inducing labour

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng207

Heart valve disease presenting in adults: investigation and management

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng208

Tobacco: preventing uptake, promoting quitting and treating dependence

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng209

Pelvic floor dysfunction: prevention and non-surgical management www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng210

NICE – Quality Standard

Smoking: supporting people to stop

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs43

Inducing labour

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs60

Urinary incontinence in women

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs77

Brain tumours (primary) and brain metastases in adults

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs203

NICE - Technology Appraisals

Selpercatinib for treating advanced thyroid cancer with RET alterations

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta742

Crizanlizumab for preventing sickle cell crises in sickle cell disease www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta743

Upadacitinib for treating moderate rheumatoid arthritis www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta744

NBTXR-3 for treating advanced soft tissue sarcoma (terminated appraisal)

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta745

Nivolumab for adjuvant treatment of resected oesophageal or gastro-oesophageal junction cancer

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta746

All NICE guidance is available from the NICE web site: www.nice.org.uk.

Support and resources to maximise uptake and use: <https://www.nice.org.uk/about/what-we-do/into-practice>

Nintedanib for treating progressive fibrosing interstitial lung diseases	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta747
Mexiletine for treating the symptoms of myotonia in non-dystrophic myotonic disorders	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta748
Liraglutide for managing obesity in people aged 12 to 17 years (terminated appraisal)	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta749
Olaparib for maintenance treatment of BRCA mutation-positive metastatic pancreatic cancer after platinum-based chemotherapy (terminated appraisal)	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta750
Dupilumab for treating severe asthma with type 2 inflammation	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta751
Cenobamate for treating focal onset seizures in epilepsy	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta753
Mogamulizumab for previously treated mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta754
Risdiplam for treating spinal muscular atrophy	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta755
Fedratinib for treating disease-related splenomegaly or symptoms in myelofibrosis	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta756

NICE - Interventional Procedures

Percutaneous implantation of pulmonary artery pressure sensors for monitoring treatment of chronic heart failure	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ipg711
Coronary sinus narrowing device implantation for refractory angina	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ipg712
Transanal total mesorectal excision for rectal cancer	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ipg713
Endobronchial nerve ablation for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ipg714

NICE - Medical technologies Guidance

Synergo for non-muscle-invasive bladder cancer	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mtg61
ClearGuard HD antimicrobial barrier caps for preventing haemodialysis catheter-related bloodstream infections	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mtg62
Endo-SPONGE for treating low rectal anastomotic leak	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mtg63

NICE - Diagnostics Guidance

SeHCAT (tauroselcho. acid) for diagnosing bile acid diarrhoea	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/dg44
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NICE - Highly Specialised Technologies Guidance

Givosiran for treating acute hepatic porphyria	www.nice.org.uk/guidance/hst16
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Patient Safety

Report

Delayed hospital handovers: impact assessment of patient harm.

Association of Ambulance Chief Executives (AACE); 2021.

<https://aace.org.uk/news/handover-harm/>

[This report, based on a structured clinical review of handover delays at hospital emergency departments across England, finds that the proportion of patients who could be experiencing unacceptable levels of preventable harm is significant. 9 per cent could have been said to have experienced severe harm.]

Medicines safety in NHS trusts.

Care Quality Commission (CQC); 2021.

<https://www.cqc.org.uk/news/stories/medicines-safety-nhs-trusts>

[This month's Insight report looks at medication safety in NHS trusts, focusing on the role of medication safety officers (MSOs).]

Managing and Leading People

Guideline

Code of Practice for International Recruitment: a quick guide.

NHS Employers; 2021.

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/publications/code-practice-international-recruitment>

[This resource is designed to quickly outline the Code of Practice for International Recruitment, highlight the definition of active recruitment, list the countries the UK cannot currently actively target, and explain the guiding principles which health and social care employers and agencies should follow when sourcing candidates from overseas.]

Effective hybrid working: practical guidance.

Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD); 2021.

<https://www.cipd.co.uk/knowledge/fundamentals/relations/flexible-working/effective-hybrid-working>

[Guidance commissioned by the CIPD on behalf of the Flexible Working Taskforce. The guidance focuses on the key areas of: People management; Recruitment and induction; Inclusion and fairness; Health, safety and wellbeing.]

How to talk about race at work.

Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD); 2021.

<https://www.cipd.co.uk/knowledge/fundamentals/relations/diversity/conversations-race-work>

[This guide lays out the key advice, options and considerations for people professionals to bear in mind when having conversations about race in the workplace.]

Improving staff equality networks through partnership working: A good practice guide.

NHS Employers; 2021.

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/publications/improving-staff-equality-networks-through-partnership-working>

[As the role of the staff network grows, how they interact with existing forums becomes even more important to ensuring groups work effectively.]

NHS health and wellbeing framework.

NHS England and NHS Improvement; 2021.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/nhs-health-and-wellbeing-framework/>

[This revised framework sets out the standards for supporting staff to feel well, healthy and happy at work.]

Stress and mental health at work

Health and Safety Executive (HSE); 2021.

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/stress/index.htm>

[Work-related stress is now the number one cause of employee sickness absence. HSE have redesigned and updated HSE's work-related stress and mental health web pages. The new design will make it easier for users to find information more quickly, including guidance on mental health issues. Suicide at work is not RIDDOR reportable but our new guidance on suicide prevention encourages employers to: manage the risk; support workers who may be suicidal; support workers after an incident.]

Report

[Attracting, supporting and retaining a diverse NHS workforce.](#)

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/research/attracting-supporting-and-retaining-a-diverse-nhs-workforce>

[In this major new report commissioned by NHS Employers, the Nuffield Trust examine the representation of under-served groups and provide a set of recommendations for change as the NHS strives to become an exemplar of equality, diversity and inclusion.]

[Developing effective virtual teams.](#)

Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD); 2021.

<https://www.cipd.co.uk/knowledge/fundamentals/relations/flexible-working/developing-virtual-teams>

[Our evidence review uncovered a range of attributes which make for effective virtual teams. HR professionals and managers can use our practice-oriented summary report to gain insight into these factors and adopt the recommended actions to better support their virtual teams. The technical report gives more detail on the body of research on virtual teams.]

[Nurses' pay over the long term: what next?](#)

The Health Foundation; 2021.

<https://www.health.org.uk/publications/nurses-pay-over-the-long-term-what-next>

[This report looks at long-term trends in pay for UK nurses since the establishment of the NHS Pay Review Body in 1983 to the present day. The report underscores the urgent need for a comprehensive NHS workforce strategy which acknowledges pay as a powerful driver of nurse motivation and retention, and places nurse pay at the front and centre of policies to support the NHS's post-COVID recovery.]

[Recruiting, retaining and sustaining the NHS workforce.](#)

NHS Providers; 2021.

<https://nhsproviders.org/providers-deliver-recruiting-retaining-and-sustaining-the-nhs-workforce/>

[The case studies in this report are each focused on a central theme from the national People Plan 2020/21. The plan, from NHS England and NHS Improvement and Health Education England, expands on the strategic priorities for NHS workforce management which were set out in the 2019 Interim People Plan. The five themes are: growing for the future, new ways of working and delivering care, supporting our NHS people for the long term, looking after our people, and belonging in the NHS.]

[The future of NHS human resources and organisational development report.](#)

NHS England and NHS Improvement; 2021.

www.england.nhs.uk/publication/the-future-of-nhs-human-resources-and-organisational-development-report/

[This report outlines the ten-year strategy for the human resources (HR) and organisational development (OD) services in the NHS. It is aimed at HR and OD directors, chief people officers, HR and OD practitioners, managers, leaders and anyone with an interest in HR and OD. See also the NHS health and wellbeing framework published 4 November 2020.]

Toolkit

[Recruit and retain young people toolkit.](#)

NHS Employers; 2021.

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/publications/recruit-and-retain-young-people-toolkit>

[A series of practical, bite-sized guides about recruiting and retaining young people in the NHS.]

[Supporting disabled staff in the workplace.](#)

NHS Employers; 2021.

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/articles/supporting-disabled-staff-workplace>

[Find out about the different types of disability and what the NHS is doing to support its disabled workforce.]

Finance and Procurement

Report

[Accounting for revenue and capital: implications for the digital age.](#)

Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA); 2021.

<https://www.hfma.org.uk/publications/details/accounting-for-revenue-and-capital-implications-for-the-digital-age>

[Accounting for innovative digital technologies is complex because it is not always clear whether the NHS body is purchasing an asset that, in accounting terms, is capital expenditure or a service that is revenue or a mixture of

the two. It is therefore vital that the financial impact is considered at an early stage in the development of the business case.]

Investigation into supply chain finance in the NHS.

National Audit Office (NAO); 2021.

<https://www.nao.org.uk/report/investigations-into-supply-chain-finance-in-the-nhs/>

[This investigation examines Greensill Capital's involvement in the provision of two schemes to the NHS – firstly, supply chain finance – with particular focus on the Pharmacy Earlier Payment Scheme to pharmacy contractors; and secondly, the Employer Salary Advance Scheme. The investigation also considers the impact of the failure of Greensill Capital in March 2021 on the government, taxpayers, and NHS organisations to which it provided its services.]

The local government finance system in England: overview and challenges.

National Audit Office (NAO); 2021.

<https://www.nao.org.uk/report/the-local-government-finance-system-in-england-overview-and-challenges/>

[Local authorities in England provide a broad range of universal services, with targeted services for the most vulnerable in society. Local authorities are funded through multiple funding streams, including government grants, taxes, and charges for services. This overview looks at what local government in England spends, how this spending is funded and the effect of changes in recent years. It includes analysis of spending on both public health and social care.]

Managing Knowledge and Information

Report

Making the right technology decisions.

NHS Providers; 2021.

<https://nhsproviders.org/making-the-right-technology-decisions/>

[This guide has been prepared jointly by NHS Providers and Public Digital as part of the Digital Boards programme. Digital Boards has been commissioned by Health Education England as part of their Digital Readiness programme and is supported by NHSX. Through good practice sharing and peer learning, the programme aims to build board understanding of the potential, and implications of, the digital agenda and increase the confidence and capability of boards to harness the opportunities it provides.]

Toolkit

Data Security and Protection Toolkit.

NHS Digital; 2021.

<https://www.dsptoolkit.nhs.uk/>

[The Data Security and Protection Toolkit is an online self-assessment tool that allows organisations to measure their performance against the National Data Guardian's 10 data security standards. All organisations that have access to NHS patient data and systems must use this toolkit to provide assurance that they are practising good data security and that personal information is handled correctly. Updated October 2021.]

Patient and Carer Experience

Report

Children and young people's survey 2020.

Care Quality Commission (CQC); 2021.

<https://www.cqc.org.uk/publications/surveys/children-young-peoples-survey-2020>

[This survey looks at the experiences of children, young people and their parents and carers attending hospital. Most children and young people continue to report positive experiences about many aspects of care and treatment. However, children were less positive about feeling involved in decisions about their care and knowing what was going to happen after leaving hospital.]

Patient experience in England 2021.

Patient Experience Library; 2021.

<https://www.patientlibrary.net/cgi-bin/library.cgi?page=Blog%3Btop%3D225>

[Our annual overview of the evidence shows just how much we can learn. It gives a patient's-eye view of service

quality, and of some of the big issues in healthcare, including the elective care backlog, digital healthcare and compliments and complaints.]

Service Design and Commissioning

Guideline

Our plan for improving access for patients and supporting general practice.

NHS England and NHS Improvement; 2021.

www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/our-plan-for-improving-access-for-patients-and-supporting-general-practice/

[The government has announced a package of assistance to ensure that general practice has the support, technology and time to deliver the right care for patients in the right way and at the right time. The investment will be used to increase GP practice capacity to increase the proportion of face to face appointments, increase support from other primary care professionals and reviewing infection prevention and control guidance in primary care.]

People at the Heart of Care: adult social care reform white paper.

Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC); 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/people-at-the-heart-of-care-adult-social-care-reform-white-paper/>

[This white paper sets out a 10-year vision for adult social care and provides information on funded proposals that we will implement over the next 3 years.]

Public health commissioning in the NHS: 2021 to 2022.

Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC); 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-health-commissioning-in-the-nhs-2021-to-2022>

[Information about NHS England's objectives and funding arrangements as it commissions public health services in the ongoing context of coronavirus (COVID-19).]

Report

Fit for the future: What can the NHS learn about digital health care from other European countries?

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/research/fit-for-the-future-what-can-the-nhs-learn-about-digital-health-care-from-other-european-countries

[The rapid increase in the use of technology during the Covid-19 pandemic shows that digital health technology will be a fundamental part of health system recovery and for preparing for the future. In this report, the Nuffield Trust examine the approach that five European countries have taken to implementing digital technology and draw out learnings for the NHS.]

Going it alone: health and Brexit in the UK

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/research/going-it-alone-health-and-brexit-in-the-uk>

[After nearly a year out of the Single Market and Customs Union, Brexit is still fuelling uncertainty in many aspects of health and social care. This report looks at six key areas that are being impacted, what has already happened and what NHS, government and business figures expect for the future.]

Integrated care explained.

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/resource/integrated-care-explained>

[This explainer by Sarah Scobie answers important questions on what integrated care is, how it's changed, and whether it works. There are also links to Nuffield Trust current and past work on the subject.]

Integrated care systems and social care: the opportunities and challenges.

The King's Fund; 2021.

<https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/integrated-care-systems-and-social-care>

[This practical guide, supported by Home Instead UK, aims to encourage partnership-working between NHS and social care stakeholders as ICSs develop. The suggestions it contains are based on The King's Fund's work with ICSs and a roundtable discussion, held with Home Instead UK, to explore these issues with stakeholders working in and with the social care sector. (14 min read)]

Integrating health & social care: A comparison of policy and progress across the four countries of the UK.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/research/integrating-health-and-social-care-a-comparison-of-policy-and-progress-across-the-four-countries-of-the-uk>

[The integration of health and social care has been a long-standing policy priority in each country of the UK. However, there is limited evidence these policies are delivering the results expected of them. This report looks at the impact of integration across the four countries and compares the policies and approaches each one has trialled to deliver their goals.]

Integration and innovation in action: virtual care.

NHS Confederation; 2021.

<https://www.nhsconfed.org/publications/integration-and-innovation-action-virtual-care>

[An in-depth look at how NHS organisations are using virtual care to improve outcomes for patients and local communities.]

Trust boards and systems: The key issues.

NHS Providers; 2021.

<https://nhsproviders.org/resource-library/briefings/trust-boards-and-systems-the-key-issues/>

[This report outlines the broad roles of integrated care boards, integrated care partnerships, provider collaboratives and place – based partnerships, and the main governance issues that trusts and foundation trusts will need to take account of. It also addresses some of the key workforce issues, including finding ways to reduce obstacles to working across organisations.]

Under pressure: NHS priorities this winter.

NHS Confederation; 2021.

<https://www.nhsconfed.org/publications/under-pressure>

[Ahead of the release of the monthly NHS performance statistics, the NHS Confederation surveyed NHS leaders to seek their views on current pressures on the front line, where pressures lie and what measures the government and its national bodies could introduce now to help.]

Waiting lists are inevitable. It's how we manage them that matters.

Healthwatch; 2021.

<https://www.healthwatch.co.uk/news/2021-11-08/waiting-lists-are-inevitable-its-how-we-manage-them-matters>

[This research looks at how the backlog of the wait for hospital care is impacting the lives of those waiting, including data on which patients are waiting the longest, interim support services and potential solutions.]

What has happened to non-COVID mortality during the pandemic?

The Health Foundation; 2021.

<https://www.health.org.uk/publications/long-reads/what-has-happened-to-non-covid-mortality-during-the-pandemic>

[In England, deaths from causes other than COVID-19 have been lower than usual for 80% of the pandemic. This

analysis explores some of the questions arising from this reduction. Policymakers and researchers should be wary of drawing quick conclusions about the pandemic's effect on our health – and should instead, for each condition, unpick the complex threads of displacement, the recording of deaths, and any changes in risks.]

Working harder than ever to support patients and communities: examples from across the NHS.

NHS Confederation; 2021.

<https://www.nhsconfed.org/case-studies/working-harder-ever-support-patients-and-communities>

[Amid unrelenting pressures, staff are working harder than ever to support patients, serve local communities and support each other. Here, we spotlight some of the ways healthcare organisations are stepping up to the challenge.]

Statistics

NHS Key Statistics: England, October 2021.

House of Commons Library; 2021.

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-7281/>

[Summary of NHS demand, performance and capacity of services in England. Covers A&E statistics, waiting lists, ambulance data, delayed discharges, staffing levels including doctors and nurses, and more.]

Quality Improvement

Evidence-Based Summary

[NHS performance summary: October - November 2021 round-up of the latest NHS performance data.](#)

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/news-item/nhs-performance-summary-october-november-2021>

[Headlines: The waiting list for planned hospital care grew to almost 6 million in October, with over 5% of people waiting for over a year; The number of two year waiters for planned care increased to 16,225, further from the target to eliminate them by March 2022; 10,646 patients spent more than 12 hours waiting on a trolley from a decision to admit to admission in November 2021, five times higher than in November 2020.]

Report

[NHS backlogs and waiting times in England.](#)

National Audit Office (NAO); 2021.

<https://www.nao.org.uk/report/nhs-backlogs-and-waiting-times-in-england/>

[This report looks in detail at backlogs and waiting times for elective and cancer care in the NHS in England. It explains how the current increased backlogs and waiting times have arisen, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.]

[The King's Fund submission to the Public Accounts Committee inquiry into NHS backlogs and waiting times.](#)

The King's Fund; 2021.

www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/submission-public-accounts-committee-inquiry-nhs-backlog-waiting-times

[Tackling the backlog will be a huge operational challenge at a time when hospitals are still treating patients with Covid-19, adopting measures to limit infections in care settings and supporting exhausted staff who need time to recover. This will inevitably have an impact on productivity and the amount of health care that can be delivered in the near future.]

Conducting Research

Guideline

[A brief guide to patient and public involvement and qualitative methods in health and social care research.](#)

NIHR Research Design Service; 2021.

https://www.rds-se.nihr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/RDS_Guide_to_PPI.pdf

[This guide aims to: describe how PPI and qualitative research methods can support the development of health and social care grant applications; outline some key differences between a qualitative focus group and a PPI workshop, whether delivered face to face or online; suggest how PPI activities and qualitative research might be written into grant applications to demonstrate embedded PPI and collaborative research.]

Health Facility Environment

Report

[General practice and the local community tackling climate change together. \[Case study\]](#)

NHS England and NHS Improvement; 2021.

www.england.nhs.uk/publication/general-practice-and-the-local-community-tackling-climate-change-together/

[Frome Medical Practice has been recognised by the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) as one of the leading GP practices in the country for addressing sustainability through their comprehensive work towards meeting the criteria of the RCGP's Green Impact Toolkit. Read this case study to find out what initiatives they have implemented within their practice to support the Greener NHS ambitions to become a net zero health service by 2040.]

Moving towards a greener general practice. [Case study]

NHS England and NHS Improvement; 2021.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/moving-towards-a-greener-general-practice/>

[Colton Mill Medical Centre were inspired to implement a number of changes within their general practice to reduce their carbon footprint, after reading the NHS Green Plan and the Royal College of General Practitioners Sustainable development, climate change and green issues statement. Find out what changes they have made within their practice to support the Greener NHS ambitions.]

Toolkit

Greener Practice.

Greener Practice; 2021.

<https://www.greenerpractice.co.uk/>

[Greener Practice is network of healthcare professionals empowering primary care to transition to environmentally sustainable healthcare. Their website aims to be a 'one-stop shop' for general practices to find the information, resources and links they need to start their greener practice journey.]

Innovation

Report

Digital transformation in community health services.

NHS Confederation; 2021.

<https://www.nhsconfed.org/publications/digital-transformation-community-health-services>

[New report spotlights where community health services are doing digital well and what the barriers are.]

Putting data, digital and tech at the heart of transforming the NHS.

Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC); 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/putting-data-digital-and-tech-at-the-heart-of-transforming-the-nhs/>

[This independent review from Laura Wade-Gery considers how to ensure a coherent approach to digital transformation in the NHS national bodies.]

Public Health

Guideline

Adult social care: coronavirus (COVID-19) winter plan 2021 to 2022.

Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC); 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/adult-social-care-coronavirus-covid-19-winter-plan-2021-to-2022/>

[The government's ambitions for the sector and the challenges facing adult social care this winter.]

Report

Final report on progress to address COVID-19 health inequalities.

Race Disparity Unit; 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/final-report-on-progress-to-address-covid-19-health-inequalities/final-report-on-progress-to-address-covid-19-health-inequalities>

[This report summarises how work across government, and with national and local partners, has led to increases in both positive vaccine sentiment and vaccine uptake across all ethnic groups since the beginning of the year.]

The disease of disparity: a blueprint to make progress on health inequalities in England.

Institute for Public Policy Research (IPPR); 2021.

<https://www.ippr.org/research/publications/disease-of-disparity>

[This report identifies six areas where policy needs to change to tackle health inequality, and makes recommendations across the NHS and the socio-economic drivers of poor health. Combined, these provide a constructive plan to tackle the 'disease of disparity' in England – and to achieve the health, social and economic gains possible from addressing health inequality.]

The King's Fund; 2021.

<https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/whats-happening-life-expectancy-england>

[This article was updated on December 2021. It was previously updated in April 2021 and June 2020 and originally published in August 2018. This article examines trends in life expectancy at birth up to 2020 and the impact of Covid-19 in 2020, gender differences, geographical inequalities, causes of the changing trends since 2011, and how the UK's life expectancy compares with other countries.]

What might 'levelling up' mean for the NHS?

Nuffield Trust; 2021.

<https://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/news-item/what-might-levelling-up-mean-for-the-nhs>

[There has been much talk about levelling up over the past few months, with a white paper on how it will be achieved now expected in the new year. With different parts of the country facing unique issues when it comes to delivering health care, Rachel Hutchings describes five issues that could affect levelling up within the NHS.]

Years lost: Boosting life expectancy through preventative health interventions.

International Longevity Centre – UK (ILC-UK); 2021.

<https://ilcuk.org.uk/years-lost/>

[This report finds a number of trends in life expectancy. Over the past decades, life expectancy has significantly improved across the G20. However, the report also warns that while overall improvements in life expectancy are promising, too many years are still lost due to preventable causes.]

Toolkit

Population Health Digital Toolkit.

e-Learning for Healthcare (e-LfH); 2021.

<https://portal.e-lfh.org.uk/Component/Details/730542>

[This toolkit includes free learning and resources to help organisations apply population health approaches to improve outcomes and reduce health inequalities. It is available to registered users.]



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