



HEALTH MANAGEMENT BULLETIN

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Quality and Safety

- [Two years on, how are community diagnostic centres doing?](#) **King's Fund**
Charlotte Wickens looks at how well the government is delivering on its promises around community diagnostic centres.
- [New NHS warning system to spot deterioration in children's health faster](#) **NHSE**
The NHS is rolling out a new early warning system for doctors and nurses treating children to quickly identify deterioration, escalate care, and act on parental concerns.
- [National paediatric early warning system \(PEWS\) observation and escalation charts](#) **NHSE**
PEWS chart have been collaboratively developed by clinical teams across England to standardised the approach of tracking the deterioration of children in hospital and are to be used on general children's wards.
- [Addressing the silent pandemic: the UK's response to AMR](#) **Reform**
Reform was delighted to host a policy roundtable on the practical steps that will be needed in the new 2024-2029 AMR Action Plan to stem the rise of drug resistance. The discussion was introduced by Russell Hope, Deputy Director of the AMR Division at the UKHSA and Andrew Jones, Public Affairs Lead for AMR at the ABPI.
- [Martha's rule recommendations are laid out to government](#) **BMJ**
The Office of the Patient Safety Commissioner for England has set out a three step process for how Martha's rule should work, which would give patients and their families access round the clock to a rapid review from a critical care outreach team if they are worried about a patient's condition.
- [Worsening medicine shortages linked to Brexit and more](#) **Community Pharmacy England**
A recent report by the Independent Commission on UK EU Relations highlights the impact of Brexit-related border issues on the UK's medicine supply chain.
- [Health: the choices](#) **Nesta**
What experts told us about the current state of health and care in the UK, and the tough choices on the horizon.



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- [**One-year waits reduce for patients as record demand for NHS emergency care continues**](#) **NHSE**
NHS staff are managing record demand across emergency care ahead of winter, with new data showing Type 1 A&Es and ambulance services experienced their busiest month this year in October.
 - [**Critical condition: The impact of Brexit on health and social care**](#) **Independent Commission on UK-EU Relations**
This key report from the Independent Commission on UK-EU Relations summarises much of the work carried out on the effects of Brexit on the NHS and health since 2016.
 - [**Maternity Safety Alliance call for statutory public inquiry in England**](#) **RCOG**
The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) responds to the Maternity Safety Alliance's call for a statutory public inquiry in England.
 - [**QualityWatch performance tracker**](#) **Nuffield Trust**
This analysis includes the latest data on key activity and performance measures from September and October 2023, as published by NHS England on 9 November 2023.
 - [**CQC reports on safe use of radiation in healthcare settings**](#) **CQC**
The CQC's annual report on work to enforce the Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations in England has been published.
 - [**Investigation report: Risks to medication delivery using ambulatory infusion pumps – design and usability in inpatient settings**](#) **HSSIB**
This report is intended for healthcare organisations, policymakers and the public to help improve patient safety in relation to the effective delivery of medication using ambulatory (portable) infusion pumps.
 - [**State of the Provider Sector**](#) **NHS Providers**
This report shares findings from the annual state of the provider sector featuring trust leaders top concerns for the months ahead.
 - [**WHO unveils framework for climate resilient and low carbon health systems**](#) **WHO**
Responding to rapidly changing climate, the World Health Organization (WHO) has unveiled a new Operational framework for building climate resilient and low carbon health systems.

HQIP:

- [**National Vascular Registry State of the Nation report 2023**](#)
- [**Stroke: SSNAP State of the Nation 2023 report**](#)
- [**Child Death Review Data Release: Year ending 31 March 2023**](#)
- [**Inpatient falls and fractures – 2023 NAIF report on 2022 clinical data**](#)



Service Improvement/Redesign

- [Strengthening primary and community care services](#) **Healthwatch England**
This briefing shows how people's experiences can be used to support the development of a long-term vision for the NHS to strengthen these services.
- [A national framework for NHS – Action on inclusion health](#) **NHS Providers**
NHS England (NHSE) published a framework for improving health services to meet the needs of inclusion health groups on 9 October 2023.
- ['Ground-breaking' electronic prescription service rolled out in six NHS hospital trusts](#) **Pharmaceutical Journal**
Six hospital trusts across England have begun using the electronic prescription service for secondary care, which was piloted during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- [The future of healthcare: Exploring the benefits of virtual wards](#) **Open Access Government**
The Health Tech Alliance explains the importance of digital and technological innovations, particularly virtual wards, in supporting NHS healthcare providers.
- [Digitalisation of health systems can significantly improve performance and outcomes](#) **OECD**
The Covid-19 response accelerated the digital transformation in OECD countries. However, much still needs to be done. This piece focuses on digital health and its potential to transform health systems.
- [Patient-initiated follow up in Leicester, Nottinghamshire, Norfolk and Norwich](#) **NHS Confederation**
Three trusts have substantially reduced unnecessary outpatients appointments, overdue referrals and waiting lists through patient-initiated follow up.
- [Patient-initiated follow up infographic](#) **NHS Confederation**
This infographic outlines how to develop a patient-initiated follow up (PIFU) appointment process that's inclusive and addresses health inequalities.
- [Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICS's insight report highlights digital in delivery access and data in promoting capacity](#) **HTN**
Nottingham and Nottinghamshire integrated care system has published its insight report with key findings highlighting the role of digital in delivering access, data in promoting capacity planning, and new technology in improving prevention, support, and data sharing for staff.
- [Provider Collaboration: a practical guide to lawful, well-governed collaboratives](#) **NHS Confederation**



A practical guide setting out the legal framework and other good governance considerations for collaboration.

- [Improving stroke services: lessons from research](#) **NIHR**
The NIHR held a webinar in October 2023 to share NIHR stroke research that could inform improvements to local services.
- [Fast tracked: the vital importance of rapid evaluation](#) **Nuffield Trust**
This blog discusses the work of the NIHR Rapid Service Evaluation Team so far and why the role of rapid evaluations will be just as important in the future.
- [How do we make 'improving' core business?](#) **NHS Providers**
Penny Pereria shares her thoughts on creating a culture of innovation and improvement and how trusts can make this a part of core business.

Leadership

- [Joy Warmington on anti-racism, leadership and the courage to speak out \(podcast\)](#) **King's Fund**
What is anti-racism, and why is it important in the context of health and care? Jo Vigor sat down with Joy Warmington, Chief Executive of the equalities and human rights charity brap, to find out.
- [Nine major challenges facing health and care in England](#) **Health Foundation**
This long read highlights nine trends that represent some of the major challenges for health and care in England.

Information Management

- [Federated data platform – improving and connecting our health information](#) **NHSE**
The federated data platform will enable NHS organisations to bring together operational data currently stored in separate systems to support staff to access the information they need in one safe and secure environment.

Research and Innovation

- [AI to speed up lung cancer diagnosis deployed in NHS hospitals](#) **DHSC**
£21 million is being allocated to 64 NHS trusts across England to roll out AI tools to speed up the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer.
- [New NIHR Research Delivery Network created](#) **DHSC**
The network will play a critical and active role in supporting the health and care research system to bring innovative new treatments and care to patients, carers and the public.



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- [What do technology and AI mean for the future of work in health care?](#) **Health Foundation**
Recent developments in artificial intelligence (AI) have sparked fears about the potential loss of jobs in many sectors, but what will it mean for healthcare?
 - [Artificial intelligence to help boost NHS winter response and prevent avoidable admissions](#) **NHSE**
Artificial intelligence (AI) will spot patients at risk of needing to go to hospital so community NHS teams can get to them first and reduce pressures on A&Es, as part of a range of tech and data solutions being rolled out across the NHS ahead of winter.
 - [The Current Generation of AI Tools: Three Considerations for Quality Leaders](#) **IHI**
The generative AI products that have evolved since the public debut of ChatGPT might be a game-changer for health care quality teams, but organizations need to carefully consider the costs and benefits of their use.

People Management

- [The expectations of line managers in relation to people management](#) **NHSE**
This report contains a recommendation to create a clear view on the expectations of line managers in the service in relation to people management and the implications for provision of people services.
- [Health and wellbeing conversations](#) **NHS Employers**
The wellbeing of staff is affected by work-related factors including workload, autonomy, relationships, team support and the working environment.
- [Understanding and reducing tensions between clinical and non-clinical staff in the NHS, in relation to agile working](#) **NHS Employers**
Owing to the Covid-19 lockdowns, the NHS has reported that tensions emerging between clinical and non-clinical workers in respect of their different agile working arrangements. Based on research, this report makes recommendations to reduce tensions and indifference between workers.
- [Three in five foreign doctors face persistent racist microaggressions at work](#) **The Medical and Dental Defence Union of Scotland**
New research conducted across the United Kingdom by professional medical body MDDUS found that 58% of International Medical Graduates (IMGs) had experienced these thinly veiled, everyday incidents of racism since they began practising medicine in the UK.
- [New NHS England framework for line managers](#) **NHS Employers**



NHS England has developed a new framework for line managers detailing how they can better support and retain our valued NHS workforce.

- [Promoting health and wellbeing and attendance at work](#) **NHS Employers**
These guidelines have been developed to supplement and reinforce Annex 26 of the NHS terms and conditions of service handbook.
- [NHS Workforce Race Equality Standard](#) **NHS Employers**
Learn about the NHS Workforce Race Equality Standard (WRES) and how NHS organisations can address race equality issues.

Finance

- [Spending on public health](#) **King's Fund**
Public health services are critical for preventing disease, reducing health inequalities and improving the population's health, for example, through helping people to quit smoking or supporting efforts to improve air quality.
- [Prescribing Costs in Hospitals and the Community - England 2018/19 to 2022/23](#) **NHS BSA**
The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has announced that it is progressing with a new "regulatory sandbox", AI-Airlock, a partnership between government, regulators and industry "which will see advanced AI technology used in NHS settings safely ahead of regulatory approval", in order to allow NHS patients to benefit early from emerging technologies.
- [Funding announced will only partially fill NHS financial black hole](#) **Nuffield Trust**
Sally Gainsbury responds to the announcement of £800 million in funding more available to local NHS systems.

Training and Development

- [The state of medical education and practice in the UK report is launched](#) **NHS Employers**
The General Medical Council (GMC) has launched its annual report on medical education and practice in the UK.

Health inequalities

- [A life less lonely? Building connected communities](#) **International Longevity Centre UK**
The International Longevity Centre's (ILC) latest briefing document published today shines a light on what it describes as a worrying fragmentation of



communities across the UK, with those living in the most deprived communities at greatest risk of falling into a trap of long-term loneliness.

- [**Tackling health inequalities on NHS waiting lists: learning from local case studies**](#) **King's Fund**
This reports looks at how identifying health inequalities and adopting an inclusive approach to NHS waiting lists has been used to reduce the backlog after the Covid-19 pandemic.
- [**Can you tell we care?**](#) **Health Foundation**
The millions of unpaid carers in the UK need support to perform their roles and protect their health and wellbeing. This Networked Data Lab Study looks at how local authority and GP records can be used to identify carers based on local authority and GP records.
- [**Unpacking why health outcomes in the UK compare poorly with peers**](#) **King's Fund**
This blog examines the latest data from OECD and unpacks why health outcomes are worse in the UK than comparator countries.
- [**Trusts develop innovative approaches to tackling social determinants of health**](#) **UCL Partners**
Four NHS trusts in the UCLPartners region have been showcased for their innovative approaches to tackling health inequalities through their work to address factors affecting the Social Determinants of Health.

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- [**Cornerstone \(Quality Improvement publication\)**](#)
- [**New Product Evaluations – October 2023**](#)

Annual Reports & Statistics

- [**Deaths registered weekly in England and Wales, provisional: week ending 27 October 2023**](#)
- [**National flu and COVID-19 surveillance reports: 2023 to 2024**](#)
- [**Excess mortality in England and English regions**](#)
- [**Provisional publication of Never Events reported as occurring between 1 April and 30 September 2023**](#)
- [**Chief Medical Officer's annual report 2023: health in an ageing**](#)
- [**Health at a Glance 2023: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development \(OECD\) indicators**](#)
- [**Deaths registered weekly in England and Wales, provisional: week ending 3 November 2023**](#)



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