

EXECUTIVE UPDATE

library@SomersetFT.nhs.uk 01823 34233 [Intranet>Library](#)



@SomNHS_LKS

17th of December 2021

Integrated Care Systems/ Integration

King's Fund, [Integrated care systems and social care: the opportunities and challenges](#) "This guide, supported by Home Instead UK, explores how social care providers can create partnerships with other integrated care stakeholders to deliver better services and outcomes for their local population."

Nuffield, [Integrating Health and Social Care](#) "The integration of health and social care has been a longstanding policy priority in each country of the United Kingdom. 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."

NHS England and Improvement, *Podcast*, [Provider collaboratives: the engine room of ICS's](#) "Sean Duggan, Chief Executive of the Mental Health Network at NHS Confederation, and Melanie Walker, Chief Executive of Devon Partnership NHS Trust, take a detailed look at provider collaboratives and the fundamental role they play in integrated care systems (ICSs). With a particular focus on mental health, they draw attention to the need for early intervention and investment to strengthen services to ensure that there is parity of esteem with physical health. The main opportunity they cite is that if you're getting mental health provision right, then you're in a much better position to alleviate pressures in other areas of your ICS."

Workforce/Leadership

GMC, [The state of medical education and practice in the UK](#) "This is an annual report on the realities and challenges faced by medical professionals in the United Kingdom's healthcare systems. This year's report looks at how the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic and the recovery have affected doctors' work and training. It also highlights learnings that the UK health services can use to support doctors and patients."

Population Health

King's Fund, [Making sense of population health: a clinician's perspective](#) "What role can clinicians play in improving population health? Here Johnson Neo considers how applying a framework can help make sense of the factors that can impact on their patients' health."

NHS Performance / NHS Finance

Nuffield, [What might levelling up mean for the NHS?](#) "five issues that could affect levelling up within the NHS."

King's Fund, [What is happening to life expectancy in England?](#) "examining trends in life expectancy at birth up to 2020, including the impact of Covid-19, gender differences, socio-economic inequalities and how the UK's life expectancy compares with other countries."

HSJ, [Steep increase in number of trusts struggling with long stay patients](#), see also [Trust CEO drafted in to lead national push to halve delayed discharges](#)

HSJ, [NHS told to raise its game on IPC or face omicron-driven surge in hospital infections](#) “The NHS must apply covid infection prevention and control measures more robustly if it is to avoid a steep rise in infections within healthcare settings, a senior doctor at NHS England has said.”

Data

BBC, [Inside the government's secret data room](#) “The Situation Centre is the UK government's new hub for making decisions in times of crisis, all informed by data. Data from agencies inside and outside of government is streamed into the room for data analysts to study and recognise where help is needed the most. Recently, analysts were able to identify where oil tankers were required during the panic buying of petrol in September. The facility is considered an update for national security, as outcomes of different crises can be predicted and acted upon before the situation happens.”

Transformation

HSJ Guides, [How can the NHS best maximise the efficiency of diagnostic services?](#) “An HSJ roundtable in association with CliniSys discussed potential roadblocks to further improving efficiency in diagnostics”

NHS England, [10,000+ people avoid hospital admission thanks to new health approach](#) “An innovative approach to health and social care in Birmingham has helped to prevent more than 10,000 people being unnecessarily admitted to hospital in the past 12 months. Previously the system was said to be fragmented with multiple organisations and multiple teams involved. Today the system is simpler, bringing together colleagues from across health and social care and other organisations to create single multi professional teams that means there is no wrong door for anybody who needs help.”

Equality and Equity

The King's Fund, [NHS England and tackling inequalities: times are changing](#)

“NHS England's new 'Core20plus5' approach to tackling health inequalities and explore how the NHS can begin to adapt its role to tackle the root causes of ill-health as well as the symptoms.”

The ‘Core20’ – a focus on the 20 per cent of the population in the lowest deprivation quintile

The ‘plus’ –an additional focus on local inequalities

The 5 – the five key clinical areas prioritised in the NHS long term plan

NHS Race & Health Observatory [Supporting named leads for health inequalities on NHS boards](#)

“This report, published by the NHS Race and Health Observatory in collaboration with The King’s Fund, sets out recommendations to help ensure senior NHS officials responsible for improving health inequalities are able to make a difference. It outlines practical recommendations and next steps to ensure named leads on boards are equipped to make a difference on health inequality outcomes and held to account with system partners on progress.”

KnowledgeShare Current Awareness- Self-register [here](#)



You can register to receive further information on topics of your choice. Sent regularly to your email address and providing you with the latest reports, articles and guidelines. Please complete the form with as much information as possible.

NHS OpenAthens- Self-register [here](#)

You will need your own NHS OpenAthens account to access databases and other online resources. Select your organisation. Your username will be generated after you submit the online registration form. Look out for an automated e-mail from ‘OpenAthens’ in your Inbox; click on the activation link to set your password.

This guide provides a selection of relevant resources and is not intended to be a comprehensive list. All websites have been evaluated and details are correct at the time of publications.

Details correct at time of going to print. Please note that resources are continuously updated.

For further help or guidance, please contact a member of library staff.

Compiled by:

Roxanne Hart

Library and Knowledge Service, Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

Roxanne.Hart@SomersetFT.nhs.uk