

## **NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:**

16:35pm, 6 March 2020

### [Health inequalities demand an integrated approach](#)

News that health inequalities are widening highlights the powerlessness of the NHS to tackle the issue alone. According to speakers at a forthcoming PCC event, there is a stronger imperative than ever for integrated care systems that involve health services, local government and the voluntary sector to work together to find lasting solutions.

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### [Developing a plan for technology in health and care: have your say](#)

NHSX, the technology unit set up by the Department of Health and Social Care, has launched a period of engagement on a technology plan for health and care, and is seeking the views of NHS staff.

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### [Maternity care plans for women with existing medical conditions](#)

NICE's latest quality standard focuses on the care of women with existing medical conditions during labour and birth, particularly those with heart disease or sepsis and those without antenatal care.

16:30pm, 6 March 2020

### [UK falling behind in children's health](#)

This report shows that for many measures of children's health and wellbeing, progress has stalled, or is in reverse - something rarely seen in high-income countries.

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### [NHS chief pledges more senior level diversity](#)

NHS chief executive Sir Simon Stevens has said he wants the health service's 'head office' to be representative of the wider workforce at all levels of seniority.

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### [CQC case studies show how trusts have maintained their ratings](#)

A series of case studies published by Care Quality Commission showing how trusts have achieved significant improvements in their ratings - and how they have since sustained those improvements or improved further.

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### [Interview with Dr Nikki Kanani](#)

Dr Nikki Kanani has been medical director for primary care at NHS England and NHS Improvement for 18 months. Her arrival coincided with what is largely regarded to be the biggest change in primary care in a generation: the advent of primary care networks.

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[Mental health crisis services rolled out across England](#)

Mental health crisis teams will be strengthened and new alternative forms of provision such as safe havens and crisis cafes will open across the country.

13:51pm, 5 March 2020

[NICE recommends new 'chemotherapy-free' treatment for lymphoma](#)

A new treatment option for patients with previously treated follicular lymphoma (grade 1 to 3A) has been approved by NICE.

13:49pm, 5 March 2020

[Child protection: duties to report concerns](#)

A parliamentary briefing paper sets out the current requirements on individuals and organisations on the reporting of known or suspected child abuse or neglect.

13:47pm, 5 March 2020

[Older people's hospital admissions in the last year of life](#)

A report from Public Health England explores the relationship between hospital admissions and age, sex and cause of death in people aged 75 years and older, who comprise the majority approximately 69% of all people who die.

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[UK strategy for rare diseases: 2020 update to the implementation plan for England](#)

This paper contains a summary of the strategy's progress and actions for the government and partner organisations for 2020.

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[NHS action saves 3,000 more babies' lives](#)

The NHS in England is saving hundreds more babies' lives every year than a decade ago and taking action to make services safer.

12:42pm, 4 March 2020

[Parliamentary awards celebrate health and care heroes](#)

The NHS has launched the NHS Parliamentary Awards 2020 to recognise staff who go above and beyond the call of duty.

12:41pm, 4 March 2020

[False fears preventing smokers from using e-cigarettes to quit](#)

Influenced by reports from the US, over half of smokers in the UK believe nicotine vaping products are as or more harmful than smoking tobacco.

12:39pm, 4 March 2020

[Practice managers urged to help ease call volumes created by coronavirus fears](#)

NHS Digital is asking practice managers to encourage patients with questions about coronavirus to use the NHS website rather than call NHS 111, which is experiencing very high call volumes.

12:37pm, 4 March 2020

[Locked out? Prisoners' use of hospital care](#)

Research from Nuffield Trust shows that four in ten hospital appointments made for prisoners were cancelled or missed in 2017/18 and that more than one in ten pregnant prisoners gave birth either in prison or on their way to hospital.

12:36pm, 4 March 2020

[PCN briefing paper for voluntary sector organisations](#)

National Voices, the representative body for the charity and voluntary sectors has published a briefing about primary care networks aimed at the sector might supply knowledge, expertise and training to help PCNs develop.

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[Specialised services: transforming delivery for patients](#)

This report shows how NHS specialised services are adapting to a changing environment to deliver world-class and innovative care for patients and service users.

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[NHS Employers supports programme tackling doctor recruitment and retention](#)

NHS Employers is supporting the delivery of four recommendations in the foundation programme review, which seeks to tackle recruitment and retention issues in the NHS through enhancing the experience of doctors in training.

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[NHS 111 service to help people with coronavirus](#)

A new NHS 111 online service has been put in place to help people get quick advice about coronavirus, as enquiries to the health service about the outbreak have surged.

12:19pm, 3 March 2020

[National recruitment campaign for paramedics, radiographers and nurses](#)

The Department of Health and Social Care has announced the start of a campaign to meet the government's pledges to get 50,000 more nurses and 26,000 more primary care professionals working in the NHS in the next five years.

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[Easier sharing of content on the NHS website](#)

The most popular 250 pages of clinically assured content on the NHS website can now be used more flexibly, according to NHS Digital.

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[Better health outcomes for rough sleepers](#)

People who sleep rough have some of the worst health outcomes in England.

15:11pm, 2 March 2020

[Better information on flu vaccination as GP systems roll out notification service](#)

Two GP system suppliers are rolling out an NHS Digital service that enables information about flu vaccinations to be sent electronically from pharmacies to GP practices.

15:09pm, 2 March 2020

[SCT screening data](#)

Public Health England has published screening data for the NHS sickle cell and thalassaemia (SCT) screening programme for the financial year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

15:07pm, 2 March 2020

[PHE updates information on coronavirus](#)

Public Health England has updated information for the public on the outbreak of coronavirus, including the current situation in the UK and information about the virus and its symptoms.

15:03pm, 2 March 2020

[NHS to fund treatment for sufferers of rare inflammatory disorder](#)

NHS England is to fund a treatment for people with rare conditions causing repeated bouts of fever, joint pains and swelling, in an effort to help a small group of people who suffer life-limiting symptoms.

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[Drive-through service for coronavirus testing](#)

The NHS is making available services to test people for coronavirus, including a new service in west London, offering 'drive through' coronavirus testing.

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