

Reforming Health & Social Care

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The Health & Care Bill sets out how the Government plans to reform the delivery of health services and foster integration between health and care in England. It is the first significant piece of primary legislation since the Health & Social Care Act 2012.

The House Briefing will explore the key elements of the reforms and what it means for NHS organisations in both primary and secondary care, patients, and external partners in the health economy.

Who should attend?

- NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts (acute, mental health and community providers)
- Commissioners, primary care networks, integrated care systems
- GP Federations and CCG leaders
- Care providers and care home managers
- Health and Social Care Service Managers within local authorities
- Age-related charities

DRAFT AGENDA

10.00 Chair's introduction

Richard Vize, Director, Public Policy Media

10.05 Ministerial address (20 mins)

- Focusing on improving health rather than just providing care services
- Building a legislative framework for collaboration rather than competition
- Timescales for implementation

Edward Argar, MP & Minister of State for Health

10.25 Integrated care systems

- The two parts of the statutory ICS: integrated care boards, and integrated care partnerships
- Geographies of ICS policy – ‘places’ and ‘neighbourhoods’
- Determining how localities can follow different approaches dependent on local needs and circumstances
- What are the implications for procurement? What will be the role of the private sector?

Jason Yiannikou, Director, Department of Health & Social Care

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10.55 What will be the impact on patients and service users?

- Patient outcomes and optimising the patient experience

Sir Robert Francis QC, Chair, Healthwatch England

11.25 Does the bill really address the long term need to reform adult social care?

- This talk will consider what provisions are set out in the Bill regarding reform of social care, and draws on learning from Germany and Japan on the design of a sustainable funding settlement for social care, including key principles for England to consider

Nina Hemmings, Senior Researcher & Laura Schlepper, Senior Researcher, Nuffield Trust

11.55 Increased powers for the Secretary of State over the NHS and care systems

- What are the new powers for the Secretary of State and how will they be implemented?
- Why are these powers justified? Why are they controversial?

William Pett, Senior Policy Advisor, NHS Confederation

12.25 Break

12.45 Governance and accountability

- Clarifying the statutory functions of ICBs and ICPs
- The role and contribution of Health & Wellbeing Boards (HWBs)
- what's the relationship with ICPs?
- What happens if relations between an ICB and ICP breaks down? How are disagreements resolved or mediated?

13.15 Addressing workforce planning and workforce challenges

- How does the Bill address these issues?
- Can an Integrated Care System be achieved in practice if the workforce challenges are not resolved?

Andrew Goddard, President, Royal College of Physicians

13.45 Implications of the Bill for NHS Trusts

- New capital expenditure limits for foundation trusts
- The 'triple aim' of improving health and wellbeing, quality of services, and the efficient and sustainable use of resources

14.15 Exploring what the Bill means for mental health and mental health service providers

- What does the Bill say specifically about mental health?
- How, in practice, do we integrate mental health care with other services?
- How should we weigh the importance of mental health against physical health? What does the Bill say about this?

Andy Bell, Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Mental Health

14.45 Closing remarks from the chair