

## 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**

#### **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

#### **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 ‘neighborhoods’
- 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?

- 10.55 What will be the impact on patients and service users?**
  - Patient outcomes and optimising the patient experience
  
- 11.25 Does the bill really address the long term need to reform adult social care?**
  - What does a sustainable funding model look like?
  
- 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?
  
- 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?
  
- 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 Closing remarks from the chair**