Health and social care management and policy update – October 2018

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News and blogs

Budget summary

Health and social care budget summary:

- £2bn a year extra for mental health by 2023/24 with "crisis cafes", specially-equipped ambulances, devoted school teams and guaranteed A&E support
- All future PFI deals will be banned - stopping hospitals from taking on huge new building debts.
- £10m will be made available to air ambulances to help them keep flying
- £650m extra social care funding for English councils for 2019/20
- Disabled Facilities Grant gets another £45m in 2018/19
- Children's social care programmes get another £84m over five years to expand programmes to 20 further councils.

NHS Providers response
House of Commons Autumn Budget Summary
NHS Confederation overview and response
The Health Foundation response
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LGA summary and response

Department of health and social care: Technical notice on recognition of professional qualifications

The latest batch of technical notices outlining the government's preparations for a no deal Brexit scenario was released on Friday 12 October. It included guidance on providing services as a qualified professional. The notice states that, in the event of no deal, the Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications (MRPQ) Directive will no longer apply to the UK.
More

HSJ: NHS Improvement and NHS England face 20 per cent budget cuts

NHS England and NHS Improvement must cut their costs by 20 per cent through developing a new joint operating model, according to plans discussed by senior figures today.
The paper outlining how system leaders were approaching the development of the new single operating model was presented to a "meeting in common" of leaders from both organisations in Skipton House, London.
More

HSJ: Revealed: Officials' £13bn funding ask to modernise NHS IT

Officials developing NHS England's long term plan have estimated it will cost up to £13bn to modernise NHS IT. The figures form part of the work of the digital and technology workstream for the long term plan, which is being developed by NHS England and NHS Improvement.
More

Kings Fund: CQC, the state of care and system level regulation

In this new blog, Ruth Robertson argues that the CQC needs to develop its approach to regulating local systems of care, as well as individual organisations.
More

BBC: Digital system to be piloted to help crack down on prescription fraud
A new digitised system will be piloted next year with the aim of reducing prescription fraud. Pharmacies using the new system will be able to instantly verify who is entitled to free medication.
More

Consultations

Open consultation: directions for integrated care providers (ICPs)
This consultation is aimed at GPs and others involved in the provision of primary medical services. It set outs the draft directions for those providing primary care as part of an ICP and asks if the draft provisions for a new ICP contract are effective and sufficient, and whether there are any other impacts the government should be aware of. The closing date for comments is 7 December 2018.
Consultation

Reports and guidance

House of Commons Public Accounts Committee: Interface between health and adult social care
This report outlines the widespread consensus that integration and joint working is the right way forward for the health and social care system to deliver the best and most effective outcomes for people and their families. However, it concludes that the government still lacks an effective overall strategy or plan to achieve its long-held aim to integrate these two sectors.
Full report

All-Party Parliamentary Group on Mental Health: Progress of the Five Year Forward View for Mental Health: on the road to parity
This report is the product of an in depth inquiry into the progress of the government's mental health strategy, the NHS Five Year Forward View for Mental Health. The findings can be split into three main themes: investing in core services for adults severely affected by mental illness; increasing the mental health workforce; and better oversight and collective responsibility for mental health.
Full report

Department of Health and Social Care: The future of healthcare: our vision for digital, data and technology in health and care
This policy paper outlines what is needed to enable the health and care system to make the best use of technology to support preventative, predictive and personalised care.
Policy paper

Richmond Group of Charities: "Just one thing after another": living with multiple conditions
This report shares learnings from ten in-depth interviews with people living with multiple long-term conditions from a wide range of demographics and locations across England. It showcases their everyday experiences and their own perceptions of their quality of life as well as the changes they'd like to see.
Full report

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Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport: A connected society: a strategy for tackling loneliness

This strategy sets out the approach to tackling loneliness in England. It marks a shift in the way we see and act on loneliness, both within government and in society more broadly. It outlines an ambition for all GPs in England to make referrals to community activities and voluntary services by 2023.
Full report

King's Fund: Sustainability and transformation partnerships in London: an independent review

A new report, commissioned by the Mayor of London, reviews the progress made over the past year by the capital's five sustainability and transformation partnerships (STPs), new bodies established to implement local plans for the future of health and care services. It finds evidence of improvements in services for patients in boroughs and neighbourhoods across London which are often supported by the partnerships, but that London's STPs are less advanced than those in many other parts of England.
Full report

House of Commons Health and Social Care Committee: Antimicrobial resistance

This report states that tackling antimicrobial resistance needs to be established as a 'top five policy priority' for the government in order to help prevent the virtual loss of worldwide modern medicine. No new classes of antibiotics have been developed for decades. Investment in basic scientific research is essential but so too is the investment by pharmaceutical companies in further development and bringing products to the market.
Full report

Perspectives

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WHO: Will population ageing spell the end of the welfare state? A review of evidence and policy options

This brief reviews the main evidence on the health and long-term care costs associated with ageing populations to better understand the expected cost pressures due to changing demographics. At the same time, it explores how older populations can and do contribute meaningfully both in economic and societal terms, particularly if they are able to remain healthy and active into later life. It concludes by reviewing selected policy areas that have been shown to either support the health and activity of older people or which otherwise reinforce sustainable care systems more broadly in the context of population ageing.
Full report

NHS Providers: Steeling ourselves for winter 2018/19

This briefing addresses key questions about the health and care sectors' preparedness for this coming winter compared with last year. These include the operational and financial challenges trusts face following this summer's heatwave, the support available from the national bodies, and the preparations trusts and their partners are making to meet the needs of their local populations in the coming months.
Briefing

Events

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Kings Fund: Digital health and care congress 2019

The Kings Fund Digital health and care congress is returning in 2019. General booking for the event has open and if you book before 22 October you could benefit from early bird rates.

Book here

Managing digital change in health and care -22 November, 2018
This event offers a practical understanding of the factors that contribute to successful digital change by showcasing the experiences of different case study sites that have already made significant progress in this area.

Book here

The Montefiore Health System in New York: key factors for high performance and learning for the NHS – 26 November, 2018
The Montefiore Health System in New York is a successful model for health care delivery and has improved service delivery and outcomes for its population in many areas that are also currently challenging for the NHS. At this event, experts from Montefiore will be in London to share their insights into integrating services, improving quality and addressing the social determinants of health.

Book here

Outstanding social care: exploring good practice – 4 December, 2018
This event brings together professionals, commissioners, researchers, carers, service users and policy-makers to explore examples of best practice that are innovative an original, and deliver outstanding quality of care.

Find out more

Newsletters

- Community Pharmacy News: September 2018
- NHS Improvement provider bulletin: 10 October 2018
- Behind the headlines – a guide to the science that makes the news

Statistics and data

- Adult social care activity and finance report, England: 2017-18
- Measures from the Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, England: 2017-18
- Estates returns information collection: England, 2017-18
- Learning disability services monthly statistics: provisional statistics (assuring transformation: September 2018, mental health statistics data set: July 2018 final)
- Direct access audiology waiting times: August 2018
- Action for Children: one third of teenagers need help with their mental health
- Weekly national flu report: 11 October 2018
- Patients registered at a GP practice: October 2018
- Breast Cancer Care: dedicated nurses for people living with incurable breast cancer

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