

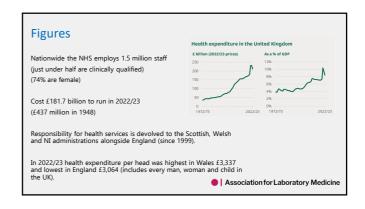


What is the National Health Service (NHS)? healthcare for all based on need

- established in 1948
- based on need and not the ability to pay
- funded by the taxpayer mostly through National Insurance contributions
- · accountable to Parliament
 - Secretary of State for Health and Social Care Wes Streeting MP
- the Department of Health provides strategic leadership and has overall responsibility for healthcare services and spending

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NHS Activity The NHS deals with 1.7 million interactions with patients every day including hospital, GP, community, NHS 111 and ambulance services, and sees 1.3 million people every day (2023/24) • In May 2024 an average of 13,555 people were admitted to hospital via their Emergency Department each day in England alone Laboratories performed 1.12 billion tests per year in 105 hospitals in England (2019/20) Between January 2022 and March 2023 the independent sector has carried out 1.8 million treatments for NHS patients.

NHS Activity: backlogs For NHS England as from May 2024 there are 7.6 million cases from approx. 6.38 million individual patients waiting for treatment • Around 3.11 million patients have been waiting over 18 weeks • Almost 307,500 have been waiting over a year for treatment Median waiting time for treatment is 14.2 weeks, almost double the pre-COVID median wait of 7.2 weeks in April 2019 ■ | Association for Laboratory Medicine

Early foundations

1752 Manchester Royal Infirmary was formed by a group led by Joseph Bancroft and surgeon Charles White in a small house with 12 beds off Withy Grove

1755 Opening of the new Infirmary with 50 beds and a similar sized wing added the following year in what is now known as Piccadilly

These hospitals were funded by a system of patronage including subscribers and trustees. In 1779 in an atterto increase subscriptions the Infirmary built a set of baths with a special rate for trustees which proved extremely popular.

Initially did not admit 'pregnant women, children, lunatics or sufferers from infectious diseases'.

1766 Manchester Lunatic Hospital (later Cheadle Royal Hospital)

1790 Lying-in Hospital

1829 Dispensary for Children (later Royal Manchester Children's Hospital)

1830 The Infirmary received royal patronage and became the Manchester Royal Infirmary

Medical schools

First medical school in the UK was established at the University of Edinburgh in 1726

 Prior to that medical education was based on learning from observation and apprenticeship.

Oldest medical school in England was at St George's, University of London from 1751

Surgery was seen as a separate profession 'Barber-surgeons' by apprenticeship and then regulation by guild and later by the Royal Colleges of Edinburgh, Glasgow, England and Ireland.

The Medical Act 1858 was the key development in professionalising medical practice and training introducing the General Medical Council and the Medical Register.

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Improving nursing

Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)

Crimean War Campaign 4 November 1854 Florence Nightingale arrived at the Barrack Hospital in Scutari.

She returned home in August 1856, four months after the peace treaty was signed.



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Florence Nightingale (1820- 1910)

Notes on hospitals, 3rd edition, 1863

The word nursing _ has been limited to signify little more than the administration of medicines and the application of poultices. It ought to signify the proper use of fresh air, light, warmth, cleanliness, quiet, and the pr-selection and administration of diet".

Shocked by the terrible conditions, low hygiene standards and mass infections, she pioneered cleaning standards in wards, frequent hand washing, good diet and adequate light and ventilation to improve patient care.

By 1860 she had used donations to establish the world's first professional nursing school at St Thomas' Hospital, London.

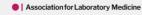
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What was there before? **Local authorities** Municipal hospitals e.g. maternity hospitals, infectious diseases hospitals, elderly, mentally ill, disabled Mentally ill people large forbidding institutions poor conditions Older people the Victorian workhouse renamed in 1929 as Public Assistance Institutions ■ | Association for Laboratory Medicine



Conception of the NHS from cradle to grave

- 1909 Royal Commission on the Poor Law
 - submission by Beatrice Webb
- 1942 Beveridge Report
 - identified health care as one of three basic requisites for a viable social security system
- 1944 White paper A National Health Service
 - everybody, irrespective of means, age, sex or occupation shall have equal opportunity to benefit from the best and most up-to-date medical and allied services.
 - services should be comprehensive and free of charge and should promote good health as well as treating sickness and disease.
- 1945 Second white paper



A National Health Service

THE WHITE PAPER PROPOSALS IN BRIEF

The delivery

Aneurin Bevan

- 15th Nov 1897 born Tredegar, Monmouthshire
- elected Labour MP for Ebbw Vale married Jennie Lee MP
- Inspired by the Tredegar Medical Aid Society in his home town he led the campaign for a national health service.
- White paper A National Health Service Second white paper appointed Minister for Health for Labour • 1944
- 1945 • 1945
- 1946 National Health Service Act
- 5th July 1948 birth of the National Health Service • 1951 moved to be Minister for Labour
- 21st April 1951 resigned in protest at the introduction of prescription charges for dental care and spectacles
 1959 elected Deputy Leader of the Labour party
- 6th July 1960 died of stomach cancer



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Complications at the birth

Opposition

- The *British Medical Association* mounted a vigorous campaign against a 'free to all who want to use it' National Health Service between 1946 and 1948 and claimed that only 4,734 doctors out of 45,148 polled were in favour of a National Health Service.
- Charles Hill Secretary of BMA describing Bevan as "a complete and uncontrolled dictator"

Political satire

"The State medical service is part of the Socialist plot to convert Great Britain into a National Socialist economy. The doctors' stand is the first effective revolt of the professional classes against social tyranny." The Daily Sketch (February 1948)





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- Two key elements of Bevan's proposals were the nationalisation of hospitals and the abolition of the 'sale and purchase of goodwill' by general practitioners.
- The former aimed to provide a uniform standard of consultant-led care and expertise across the country; the latter often placed new entrants to general practice in large amount of debt
- After 18 months of dispute between the BMA and the government, Bevan managed to win over the vast majority of doctors by offering a couple of minor concessions

 Allowing consultants to keep their own private practices

 Continuing to allow doctors to be paid in capitation fees rather than salaries





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Birth of the National Health Service 5th July 1948

6th November 1946 The National Health Service Act

- proposed the nationalisation of all 2,688 voluntary and municipal hospitals in England and Wales and the creation of 14 regional hospital boards to control them a comprehensive health service designed to secure improvement in the physical and mental health of the people of England and Wales and the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of illness funded through general taxation not national insurance
- Followed by National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947 and creation of the National Health and Social Care service by the Parliament of Northern Ireland in 1948

5th July 1948 the NHS came into being

Nye Bevan attended a ceremony at Park Hospital, Trafford (now Trafford General Hospital) Association for Laboratory Medicine



Early years: 1948 to 1957

Community Health

- Hospitals, Family practitioners and community based services into one organisation
- 1952 introduced prescription charge of 1 shilling (5p); ordinary dental treatment $\ensuremath{\mathtt{£}}1$
- Debate centred on how to organise, manage, fund expectations versus finite resources "We shall never have all we need" Nye Bevan
- Concept of a community services acting as a gatekeeper for the NHS
- Major innovation of community health centres



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Adolescence: 1958 to 1967

- Royal Commission on Doctors pay; Review Body Award; Modern Group Practice
- 1962 call for unification by medical profession of the three parts of the NHS (hospitals, general practice and local health authorities)
- 1962- Enoch Powells Hospital Plan a ten year programme to develop District General Hospitals for populations of 125,000
- Postgraduate Education Centres established for doctors and nurses
- 1967 Senior nursing staff structure introduced





Rethinking the service: 1968 to 1977

resources planning

- new technologies endoscopy, computerised axial tomography (CT), transplant surgery, intensive care units
- non-steroidal anti-inflammatory treatments
- · kidney dialysis, genetic engineering
- first steps in computerisation and information technology
- need for reorganisation to ensure better planning and redistribution of resources



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Reorganisation 1974: five tiers of management Reorganisation 1974: five tiers of management Department of Health and Social Security Regional Health Boards District Health Boards Area Health Boards Family Practitioner Consultants Special Health Authorities Secondary Care Primary and Community Care Association for Laboratory Medicine

Advancing into crisis: 1978 to 1987

- 1978 Winter of Discontent; oil crisis; financial problems
- 1979 Little change in policy following change in government
- 1982 restructure
- 1983-85 additional tier of general management
- Transfer of care from hospital to community considered
- Increasing debts, waiting lists growing, hospital wards closing despite increased spending, increased staffing, increased patients treated



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Working for Patients 1989: the Purchaser Provider Split 'the internal market'

Trust hospitals

self governing hospitals or community care providers

Fund-Holding GP's

independent purchasers of health care through block contracts or cost per case

Family Health Service Authority

replaces the Family Practitioner Committee 'holds' the money for GP Fund Holders



New pathways: 1988 to 1997

- 1990 NHS and Community Care Act Purchasers and Providers
- 57 NHS Trusts formed
- 1992 all healthcare providers now NHS Trusts
- Improved cost consciousness though the internal market
- However led to duplication of services and decreased collaboration between Trusts



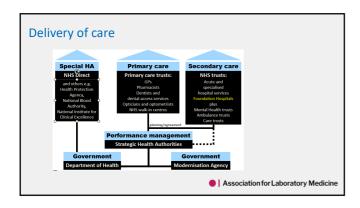
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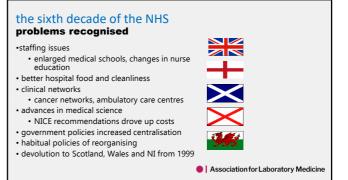


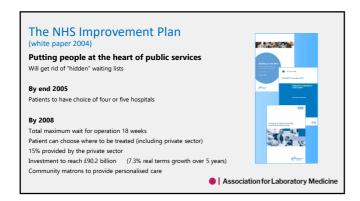


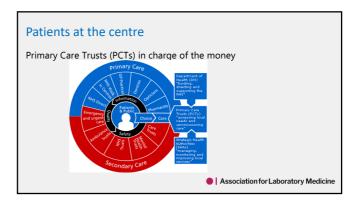






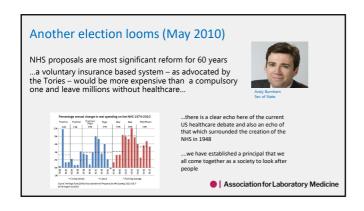






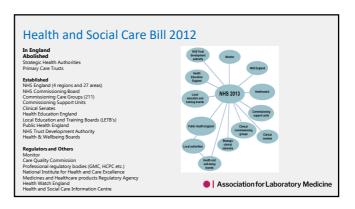




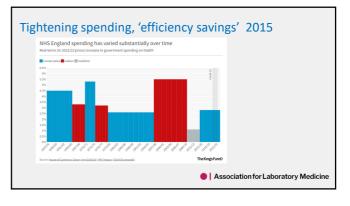


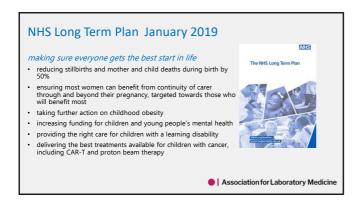


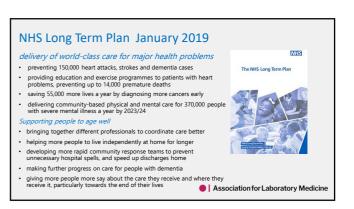




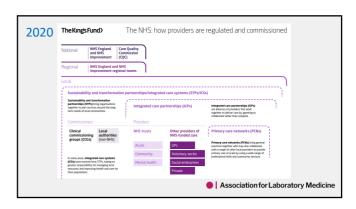
















The government's (Rishi Sunak) 2023 mandate to NHS England (policy paper) Priority 1. Cut NHS waiting lists and recover performance • tackling the COVID-19 backlog of elective care • improving cancer outcomes, increasing early detection, expand diagnostic capacity through community diagnostic centres, access to personalised care. 2. Support the workforce through training, retention and modernising the way staff work (NHS Long Term Workforce Plan) 3. Deliver recovery through the use of data and technology. 75% all adults in England to be registered on the NHS App by March 2024







