

What to consider before moving healthcare closer to home: a guide for NHS providers and commissioners



ONE.

Frame and diagnose the challenge

Moving healthcare closer to home is not a one-size-fits-all solution. Start by thinking about why you need to change and what you want to achieve.

- ▶ [Read our project summary](#)

Also read about:

- ▶ [The causes of A&E delays](#)

TWO.

Generate options

There are many points along the patient pathway where moving healthcare closer to home could deliver improvements.

- ▶ [Read case studies of existing NHS schemes](#)

Also read about:

- ▶ [Improving productivity in elective care](#)
- ▶ [Improving hospital flow to reduce length of stay \(Nuffield Trust\)](#)

THREE.

Prioritise change

Develop a realistic, evidence-based appraisal of how the benefits (for patients and finances) of any approach compare with the costs.

- ▶ [Read about possible clinical impacts](#)
- ▶ [Assess and compare financial impacts](#)

FOUR.

Deliver effective schemes

There are some common challenges you will want to consider before setting up any scheme(s).

- ▶ [Review implementation challenges and possible solutions](#)
- ▶ [Hear NHS staff talk about their experiences](#)

Also read about:

- ▶ [Developing payment systems that enable integrated care](#)
- ▶ [Sharing gains and losses in contracts](#)