

Earlier screening recommended

Following the UK National Screening Committee [meeting on 18 June](#), the UK NSC has recommended earlier screening for [Edward's Syndrome \(T18\)](#) and [Patau's Syndrome \(T13\)](#) in pregnancy.

The Committee recommended against screening for atrial fibrillation, type 2 diabetes and parvovirus.

Current policy consultations:

- [Dementia](#) (closes 9 October)

- [Preterm birth](#) (closes 17 October)
- [Bacterial vaginosis](#) (closes 17 October)
- [Gauchers disease](#) (closes on 6 November)
- [Depression](#) (closes 26 December)

Consultations due to start soon:

- [Amino acid metabolism disorders](#)
- [Sudden cardiac death](#)
- [Galactosaemia](#)
- [Fatty-acid oxidation disorders](#)



UK National
Screening Committee

Transition begins

The transition of the NHS screening website content to NHS Choices and GOV.UK has begun.

Online information for the public is going to NHS Choices and information for professionals is moving to GOV.UK. The e-learning screening modules will also be moving to a new home in due course.

The process is due to be completed by January 2015 and should increase the number of visitors to our websites, provide a more integrated approach to providing information across all NHS screening programmes – cancer and non-cancer – and allow better integration of information with other parts of Government and the NHS.

The first stage in this process saw public content on abdominal aortic

New screening content set up on NHS Choices

aneurysm (AAA) screening go live on NHS Choices this month. The existing [aaa.screening.nhs.uk](#) site will remain operational until the migration of all AAA screening content is complete.

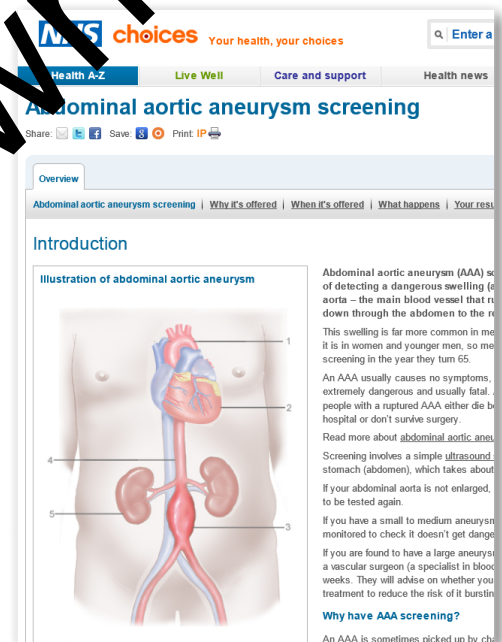
Diagnostic screening content will be the next to go live.

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screening in England. Please feel free to follow and engage with the account.



The new abdominal aortic aneurysm screening information for the public on the NHS Choices website

Other news in brief

Antenatal and newborn e-learning module

The UK NSC's popular *antenatal and newborn screening e-learning module* has recently been updated, including new questions in the quiz.

Education Resource for PICU/ NICU Practitioners

The UK NSC has just launched a *new*

educational resource for PICU/NICU practitioners, covering the three newborn screening programmes.

Screening induction resource

The *screening induction resource* has been re-designed, updated and improved. The resource is for use by local screening coordinators to facilitate induction sessions for new staff, provide information to health professionals or for refresher courses.

Screening in England 2012/13 report

The *Screening in England annual summary* for 2012-13 has now been published on the UK NSC website. The report covers the final year before the NHS Screening Programmes became part of Public Health England. The summary highlights the progress of the eight national non-cancer screening programmes throughout the year and outlines key successes using data and case studies.