

LSE-Lancet Commission 'The Future of the NHS'

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Key objectives of the Commission

- Outline the key challenges facing the NHS over the next 20 years.
- Take a UK wide approach, covering all constituent countries.
- Establish what we know about these challenges and what remains unanswered?
- Provide policy recommendations/options to address these challenges, based on consensus amongst the Commissioners.

What will this offer?

- A succinct, accessible report which will attempt to cover the most pertinent issues affecting the NHS.
 - The final commission will be a 30-40 page report with an executive summary
- The report will be designed to stimulate debate and influence policy.
- The report will address the complexities and differences of each constituent country's NHS.
- This is an opportunity to provide unbiased, evidence-based recommendations, from an objective, academic and policy perspective.
- The multidisciplinary background of commissioners will produce a comprehensive and broad report.

Aims for today

- Discuss the main issues and the scope of the commission.
- Discuss a potential framework of the Commission moving forward.
- Discuss tentative working groups and highlight any gaps in expertise.
- Agree on timeframes for the output of the Commission

Suggested Key areas for the Commission

- Establishing Sustainable Funding
- Changing Healthcare Needs and Social Determinants
 - Ageing, Multimorbidity, Lifestyle Illnesses, Mental Illness
- Organisational/Structural Challenges
 - Interface between Health and Social Care
 - Interface between Primary and Secondary Care
- Quality Issues
- Workforce Sustainability and Skills
- Harnessing Technology
- Patient Involvement and Expectations