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| **June 2025** |
|  | **UCS Official Star Awards Announcement!**  |
|  | **Access to new medicines in the English NHS** Have you ever wondered how new medicines are developed, approved and priced? This explainer outlines the long journey from the discovery of a new drug to when it becomes available on the NHS. Read more here: [Access To New Medicines In The English NHS | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/long-reads/access-new-medicines-english-nhs?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=15026797_NEWSL_WeeklyUpdate_020625%5BMondaySend%5D&utm_content=BUTTON_AccessMedicines&dm_i=21A8,8Y2R1,2NYYES,11BKAP,1) |
|  | **Adult ADHD assessments and diagnosis: data and service provision** Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) is suspected to affect 3–4% of adults in the UK. In recent years, various sources have highlighted significant waits for adult ADHD assessments |
| However, there is no official list of ADHD services, no agreed measure for calculating waiting times for assessments and no duty to report this data, so the full picture of ADHD assessment and diagnosis is unclear. This research, commissioned by the Department of Health and Social Care and carried out by The King's Fund, set out to find out what data is available, collected and used to plan and manage adult NHS ADHD assessment services locally. While this is a narrow scope, having an accurate understanding of the data is a vital first step to understanding where improvements might be made. Read more here: [Adult ADHD Assessments And Diagnosis: Data And Service Provision | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/reports/adult-adhd-assessments-diagnosis-data-service-provision?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=15032162_NEWSL_HMP_Library%202025-06-06&dm_i=21A8,8Y6W2,2NYYES,11C5F0,1) |
|  | **Cancer Research UK: Cancer in the UK: overview 2025** This report finds that over the past 50 years, the proportion of the UK population dying from cancer has fallen by more than a fifth. However, it also finds that while people are now less likely to die from cancer, more people are likely to get it. And due to the UK’s growing and ageing population, the actual numbers of both cases and deaths are rising. Read more here: [Cancer Research UK](https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/?_gl=1*nttecw*_ga*MjQwMDc5ODAyLjE3NDk0NTQ5NTY.*_ga_58736Z2GNN*czE3NDk0NTQ5NTYkbzEkZzAkdDE3NDk0NTQ5NTYkajYwJGwwJGgw*_gcl_au*NzU3NzU5MTMxLjE3NDk0NTQ5NTY.) |
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| Home | The Health Foundation | **The Health Foundation – Spending Review 2025: priorities for health, the NHS and social care in England** This analysis sets out The Health Foundation’s priorities for health and care investment at the Spending Review and options for how they could be achieved. It draws on evidence submitted to the Treasury in February 2025. It covers the investment needed in public health, the NHS and adult social care services. It also sets out policy actions to strengthen cross-government working on health and prevention and to improve health among the working-age population. Read the review here: [**Spending Review 2025: priorities for health, the NHS and social care in England - The Health Foundation**](https://www.health.org.uk/reports-and-analysis/analysis/spending-review-2025-priorities?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=15032162_NEWSL_HMP_Library%202025-06-06&dm_i=21A8,8Y6W2,2NYYES,11C5RA,1) |
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| **Infection Prevention guidance and updates**  |
| 04 June | UK Health Security Agency New Guidance**Vaccinations for children aged 18 months**A guide to vaccinations for children aged 18 months. | [Vaccinations for children aged 18 months - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vaccinations-for-children-aged-18-months?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=bf84021d-2d3e-4164-b458-eaee578eba14&utm_content=daily) |
| 04 June | UK Health Security Agency New Guidance**Immunisations at one year of age for children born on or after 1 July 2024**A leaflet to remind you to get your child immunised at one year of age. | [Immunisations at one year of age for children born on or after 1 July 2024 - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/immunisations-between-12-and-13-months-of-age/immunisations-at-one-year-of-age-for-children-born-on-or-after-1-july-2024) |
| 05 June | UK Health Security Agency News story**Measles outbreaks continue with risk of holidays causing surge**Latest UKHSA data shows outbreaks continuing, with 109 cases confirmed in April and 86 so far in May. | [Measles outbreaks continue with risk of holidays causing surge - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/measles-outbreaks-continue-with-risk-of-holidays-causing-surge?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=960ebc64-4b40-49a4-9f5f-c281b7f9647b&utm_content=daily) |

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| **Infection Prevention guidance and updates continued……** |
| 10 June | UK Health Security Agency News story**UKHSA urges travellers to take steps to avoid infection abroad**Typhoid and paratyphoid cases reach record high while Malaria cases remain high despite small dip in cases. | [UKHSA urges travellers to take steps to avoid infection abroad - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-urges-travellers-to-take-steps-to-avoid-infection-abroad?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b64e9f53-e8e5-4f5f-9db9-86cccce9167b&utm_content=daily) |
| 10 June | UK Health Security Agency Guidance**MMR for all: general leaflet**This leaflet explains the measles mumps rubella (MMR) vaccine for all ages.Updated the MMR leaflet with the latest edition | [MMR for all: general leaflet - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mmr-for-all-general-leaflet?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b244dce9-4fef-4723-a16a-008abd70ca6a&utm_content=daily) |
| 16 June | UK Health Security Agency Promotional material**Changes to the childhood vaccination programme: why are they happening**This flyer explains the changes to the childhood vaccination programmes from 1 July 2025 to parents of eligible children. | [Changes to the childhood vaccination programme: why are they happening - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-the-childhood-vaccination-programme-why-are-they-happening?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=cae3de17-a8bc-4275-967e-320b29fbf08a&utm_content=daily) |
| 26 June | UK Health Security Agency News story**Whooping cough vaccination rates recover among pregnant women**As uptake rates improve for the seventh month, more newborns are protected from whooping cough. | [Whooping cough vaccination rates recover among pregnant women - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/whooping-cough-vaccination-rates-recover-among-pregnant-women?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=72365e34-1884-42b2-95b2-e74a86ececc0&utm_content=daily) |
| 26 June | UK Health Security Agency News story**Cases of Salmonella and Campylobacter highest in a decade**Both Campylobacter and Salmonella cases show a 17.1% increase from 2023 to 2024. | [Cases of Salmonella and Campylobacter highest in a decade - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/cases-of-salmonella-and-campylobacter-highest-in-a-decade?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e61a29b0-0d80-460e-81cc-72d7ac23e93c&utm_content=daily) |

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| **Infection Prevention guidance and updates continued…….** |
| 26 June | Dept. of Health & Social Care Government response**Advice accepted on autumn 2025 COVID-19 vaccination programme**The government has accepted advice from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) for the autumn 2025 COVID-19 vaccination programme.Vaccination will be offered in England in autumn 2025 to:* adults aged 75 years and over
* residents in a care home for older adults
* individuals aged 6 months and over who are immunosuppressed, as defined in tables 3 and 4 of the [COVID-19 chapter of the Green Book](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-the-green-book-chapter-14a), the UK Health Security Agency’s information on immunisation against infectious disease

In line with JCVI advice, frontline health and social care workers (HSCWs) and staff working in care homes for older adults will not be eligible for COVID-19 vaccination under the national programme for autumn 2025. | [Advice accepted on autumn 2025 COVID-19 vaccination programme - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/advice-accepted-on-autumn-2025-covid-19-vaccination-programme?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=72e5f0b1-644c-429b-a7c0-e3b904ca408d&utm_content=daily) |

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| **Other Topics - updates** |

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| 02 June | HM Treasury Press release**Failed Covid contracts cost British taxpayer £1.4 billion**New report commissioned by Chancellor, Rachel Reeves, reveals multibillion price British taxpayers paid for reckless handling of Covid contracts | [Failed Covid contracts cost British taxpayer £1.4 billion - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/failed-covid-contracts-cost-british-taxpayer-14-billion?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=305536de-3425-49bc-9bb4-6c8256daeffa&utm_content=daily)  |
| 02 June | Home Office Statutory guidance amendment**Modern slavery: how to identify and support victims**Describes the signs that someone may be a victim of modern slavery, the support available to victims, and the process for determining whether someone is a victim.Amendment to catered essential living rate and catered dependent financial support payment in Annex F and updated explanation of how the rate is formed. | [Modern slavery: how to identify and support victims - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/modern-slavery-how-to-identify-and-support-victims?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=28f4ad06-b90b-45fd-a4dc-9c0bc313d959&utm_content=daily#full-publication-update-history) |

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| **Other Topics – updates continued……** |

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| 02 June | UK Visas and Immigration Guidance update**Indefinite leave to remain in the UK: your rights and status**Information about what it means to have indefinite leave to remain (ILR) in the UK, also known as settlementUpdated to reflect that expired biometric residence permits can no longer be used to travel to the UK. | [Indefinite leave to remain in the UK: your rights and status - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/indefinite-leave-to-remain-in-the-uk?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=c62b62dd-6ed4-4a97-91a1-17c1ff6389f8&utm_content=daily#full-publication-update-history) |
| 02 June | UK Visas and Immigration Guidance update**Using your UK Visas and Immigration account**Information on using your UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) account to prove your rights in the UK and keep your details up to date.Updated to reflect that expired biometric residence permits and biometric residence cards can no longer be used to travel to the UK. | [Using your UK Visas and Immigration account - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/using-your-uk-visas-and-immigration-account?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=c2a0c8d1-2e09-4d27-874e-9cdc56ac6339&utm_content=daily#full-publication-update-history) |
| 02 June | UK Visas and Immigration Guidance update**Entering the UK under the EU Settlement Scheme and EU Settlement Scheme family permit**What you’ll need to enter the UK under the EU Settlement Scheme or EU Settlement Scheme family permit rules.Updated to reflect that expired biometric residence permits and biometric residence cards can no longer be used to travel to the UK. | [Entering the UK under the EU Settlement Scheme and EU Settlement Scheme family permit - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/entering-the-uk-under-the-eu-settlement-scheme-and-eu-settlement-scheme-family-permit?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=098bb5b5-d500-4a87-bbef-185df6291ba6&utm_content=daily) |
| 02 June | UK Visas and Immigration Guidance update**Online immigration status (eVisa)**Information on eVisas and why you need one.Updated to reflect that expired biometric residence permits and biometric residence cards can no longer be used to travel to the UK. | [Online immigration status (eVisa) - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/online-immigration-status-evisa?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=3881b611-b033-4426-b049-005a8323b494&utm_content=daily) |
| 04 June | Department for Education new publication**Partnerships for inclusion of neurodiversity in schools (PINS) programme**A national pilot programme designed to improve outcomes for neurodivergent pupils in mainstream primary schools. | [Partnerships for inclusion of neurodiversity in schools (PINS) programme - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/partnerships-for-inclusion-of-neurodiversity-in-schools-pins/partnerships-for-inclusion-of-neurodiversity-in-schools-pins-programme) |

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| **Other Topics – updates continued…..** |

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| 10 June | Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency New Guidance**Valproate – reproductive risks**Information about the reproductive risks of taking valproate medicines and the measures in place to reduce potential harm. | [Valproate – reproductive risks - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/valproate-reproductive-risks?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=957cc3a3-c8f1-4366-9e67-16608ab345e7&utm_content=daily) |
| 24 June | Disclosure & Barring Service guidance update**DBS Update Service: employer guide**As an employer, you can access the Update Service to do status checks on an individual’s standard or enhanced DBS certificate, if they’ve joined the service.Change made:A line has been added to clarify that original certificates must be checked in person, copies or viewing certificates over video link is not permitted. |  <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-update-service-employer-guide/dbs-update-service-employer-guide> |
| 26 June | Department for Transport guidance update[**Using a Blue Badge in Europe**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blue-badge-using-it-in-the-eu?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=4d47b21c-5446-4c1f-9423-c586c187907a&utm_content=daily)Page summary:Using a UK Blue Badge parking card in the EU and EEA.Change made:Updated links to country websites. | [Using a Blue Badge in Europe - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/blue-badge-using-it-in-the-eu/using-a-blue-badge-in-the-european-union) |