



## North Area ICP Evaluation Update Strategic ICP Meeting June 2024

**This evaluation update is to capture the highlights and key proposals in line with the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and outcomes from the two Area ICP meetings.**

- 1. Longer and healthier lives for all*
- 2. Fairer health outcomes for all*
- 3. Best start in life for our children and young people*
- 4. Improving health and care services*

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### Summary Update – Key Themes & Priorities highlighted (*Previous 2 area meetings*)

#### **Introduction**

The North Area ICP has met on six occasions. The Area ICP is a key forum to develop and strengthen relationships between professional, clinical, political and community leaders and for partners to share intelligence, identify common challenges and objectives and share learning.

The North Area ICP has a large membership given the geographical footprint and number of local authorities and partner organisations operating within it.

#### **Meeting held on 7 February 2024 (Northumberland)**

The following issues were discussed:

##### **Pharmacy**

Local Pharmacy Committee Representatives presented on their role in supporting pharmacies, and discussions included "Think Pharmacies First", online representation and issues of access regarding the dispensing model.

##### **North of Tyne Combined Authority**

Dr Henry Kippin, Chief Executive of the North of Tyne Combined Authority, presented on the transition to the new combined authority.

##### **Prevention Workstream**

Alice Wisemen, Director of Public Health, gave an update on the Prevention Workstream and discussions were held on the alcohol and tobacco workstreams.

##### **Healthwatch**

Paul Jones, Healthwatch, identified some of the common issues in the North, including access to dental care and online prescriptions.

#### **Meeting held on 24 April 2023 (Newcastle)**



The following issues were discussed:

### **Community Mental Health Transformation**

Anna English, Director of Community Services, Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust, presented on the community mental health transformation programme and discussions took place on the importance of working as a system.

### **Balance – Alcohol**

Susan Taylor, Head of Alcohol Policy at Balance gave a presentation on the alcohol harm evidence base and key actions being taken. It was agreed that lessons are being learned from the tobacco control strategy.

It was agreed that the preventative message is excellent, and that as a society we need to look at how to stop deterioration and reduce alcohol related admissions.

### **St Oswalds Strategy**

Steph Edusei, Chief Executive, presented on the St Oswald's hospice strategy 2023-2027.

Members has a useful discussion around collaborative working going forward to look at the integration of services for palliative care and bereavement support.

### **Plans for Next Steps**

Discussions took place on the potential merger of the North and Central Area ICP meetings to reflect the new North of Tyne Authority.

The following future agenda items were suggested:

Childhood Health including children and young people's mental health, suicide prevention and childhood health.