NHS Cheshire and Merseyside

Population Health Academy Neighbourhood Programme

What: an interactive learning programme with training on tools and dashboards alongside active learning discussions and coaching approaches

Why: to create consistency across the ICS around data-informed decision making and to strengthen and empower leaders in our system around the use of data to address health inequalities in our neighbourhoods

Who: for anyone responsible for commissioning or transforming services in each Place across C&M ICS

When: November 2025 to January 2026

Where: Microsoft Teams

Participants will attend three virtual workshops, each focussed on readily available tools and dashboards that support data informed decision making.

We will begin the programme by covering the new Federated Data Platform Strategic Commissioning Tool then following on to the Enhanced Case Finding Tool in Module 2 and then we will use Module 3 to cover the most suitable dashboards for those attending this cohort – this could include Complex Households, Waiting Lists, High Intensity Users, Fuel Poverty, Serious Violence and Connecting Care Records.

In addition, we will cover the Business Intelligence Portal and Real-World Intervention Causal Evaluation (RICE) methodology across the duration of the programme.

Participants will also attend three virtual active learning sets after each workshop to delve further into the dashboards covered and apply them to their own areas of interest

Part of the programme is CPD accredited, and participants must ideally be able to attend all dates.

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Programme Design

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Workshops and active learning sets will be delivered virtually via Microsoft Teams with the opportunity for additional digital collaboration on our dedicated FutureNHS workspace. Subject matter experts will join the workshops and the active learning sets to share their expert knowledge around the tools in focus and their application in the business setting as well as sharing relevant case studies. In addition, there will be time to reflect on the application of these tools and dashboards in your own workplace and the culture and behaviours required for success.

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Module 1: FDP Strategic Commissioning Tool

Tuesday 11th November 1-3pm

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Cheshire and Merseyside has been selected as one of just three areas in England to help develop a new strategic commissioning tool (SCT), designed to improve how health and care services are planned and delivered.

The SCT, commissioned by NHS England as part of the Federated Data Platform (FDP) initiative, uses data to help health leaders and teams make better decisions about services. It offers benchmarking insights around Places and PCN's to understand variation.

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Active Learning Set 1

Tuesday 18th November 1-3pm

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This session will provide an opportunity for more in depth focus and peer discussion around the Strategic Commissioning Tool

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Module 2 – Enhanced Case Finding Tool

Thursday 11th December 2-4pm

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The ECFT uses a wide range of data to quickly identify individuals and groups who could benefit from early support and care. Subject matter experts will lead a session on the functionality of the ECFT and offer support on how to use the tool to the best effect.

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Active Learning Set 2

Thursday 18th December 2-3.30pm

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This session will provide an opportunity for more in depth focus and peer discussion around the ECFT.

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Module 3 - topic to be agreed with group once programme commences

Tuesday 13th January 2-4pm

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Subject matter experts will lead a session on a tool/dashboard TBC and will offer support on how to use it to the best effect.

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Active Learning Set 3

Tuesday 20th January 2-3.30pm

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This session will provide an opportunity for more in depth focus and peer discussion around the dashboard(s) covered in Workshop 3

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