

# Peer learning; Health inequalities and the elective and diagnostic backlog

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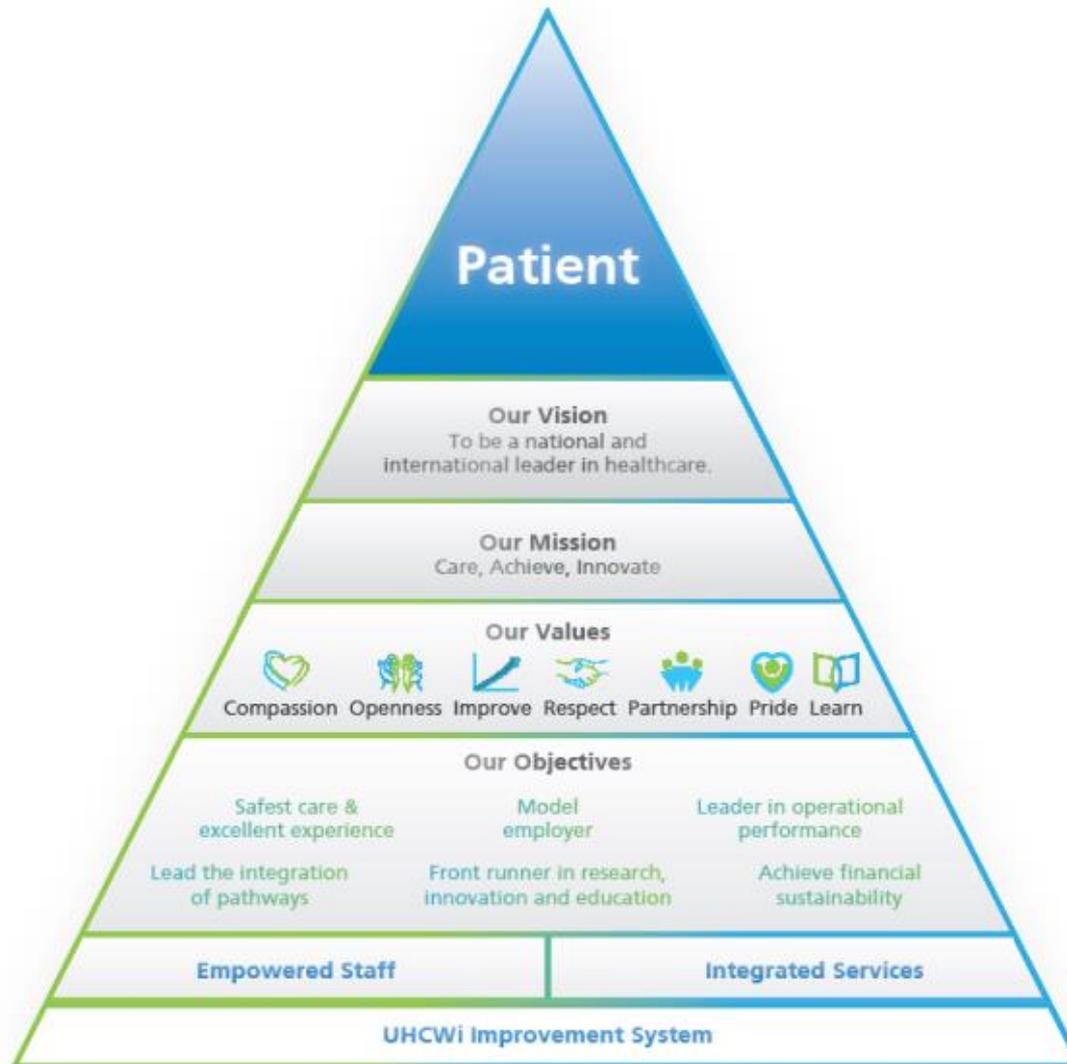
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# Health inequalities and the elective and diagnostic backlog

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# Putting the Patient First



# Health inequalities

- Unacceptable disparities in health based upon
  - Social class
  - Race
  - Gender
- Health differences are not necessarily inequalities
- Access to health services must improve



# Inequalities

- Deprivation
- Poverty
- Health
- Wealth
- Opportunity
- Ethnicity
- Literacy



- 1980 Black report
- 1998 Acheson report 39 recommendations
- 1999 Saving lives, our healthier nation
- 2000 NHS Plan
- 2002 Cross cutting review
- 2003 Tackling Health Inequalities: A programme for action
- 2004 Wanless report
- 2004 Choosing Health
- 2006 Health Challenge England
- 2006 Our health, our care, our say
- 2008 Health Inequalities: progress and next steps
- 2009 Tackling health inequalities: 10 yrs on report
- 2010 Marmot review

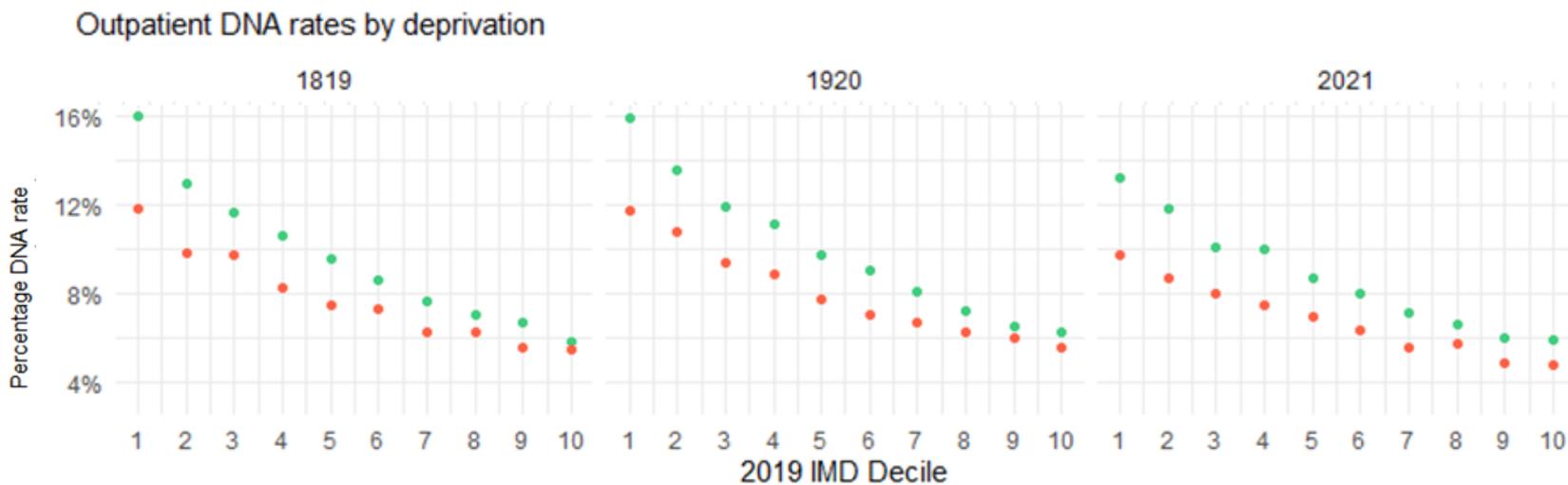


# What affects our health?



Dahlgren G, Whitehead M (1993)

# NHS service inequalities – OP DNAs

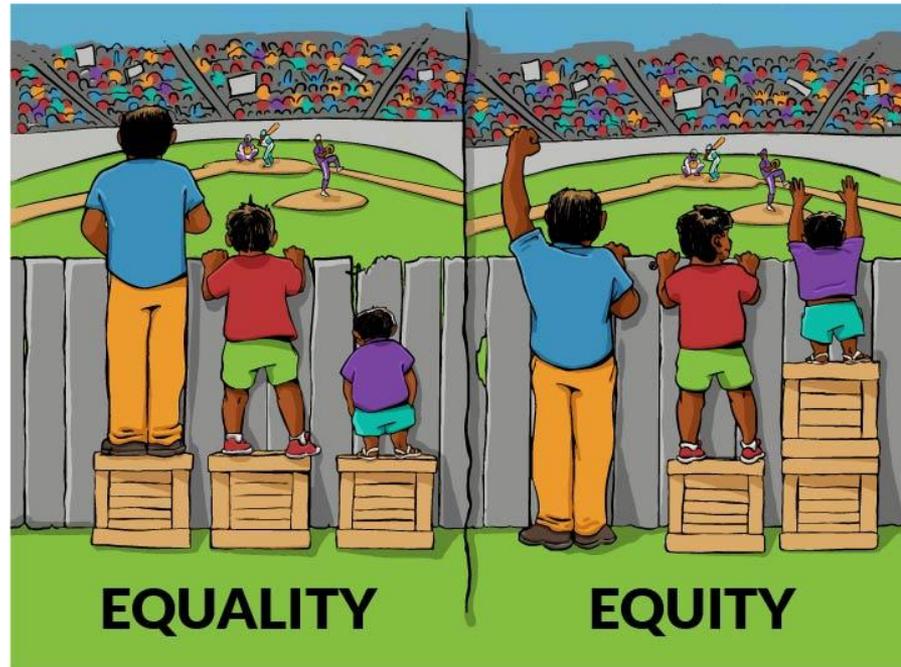


Gender

- 1: Male
- 2: Female

Analysis done by Coventry and Warwickshire CCG BI Team

# Priority 1: Focus on equity of outcomes for our population



Interaction Institute for Social Change  
Artist: Angus Maguire

# Why Waiting lists and RTT fuel inequality

William from Warwick



18 weeks



No impact on family

Norman from Nuneaton

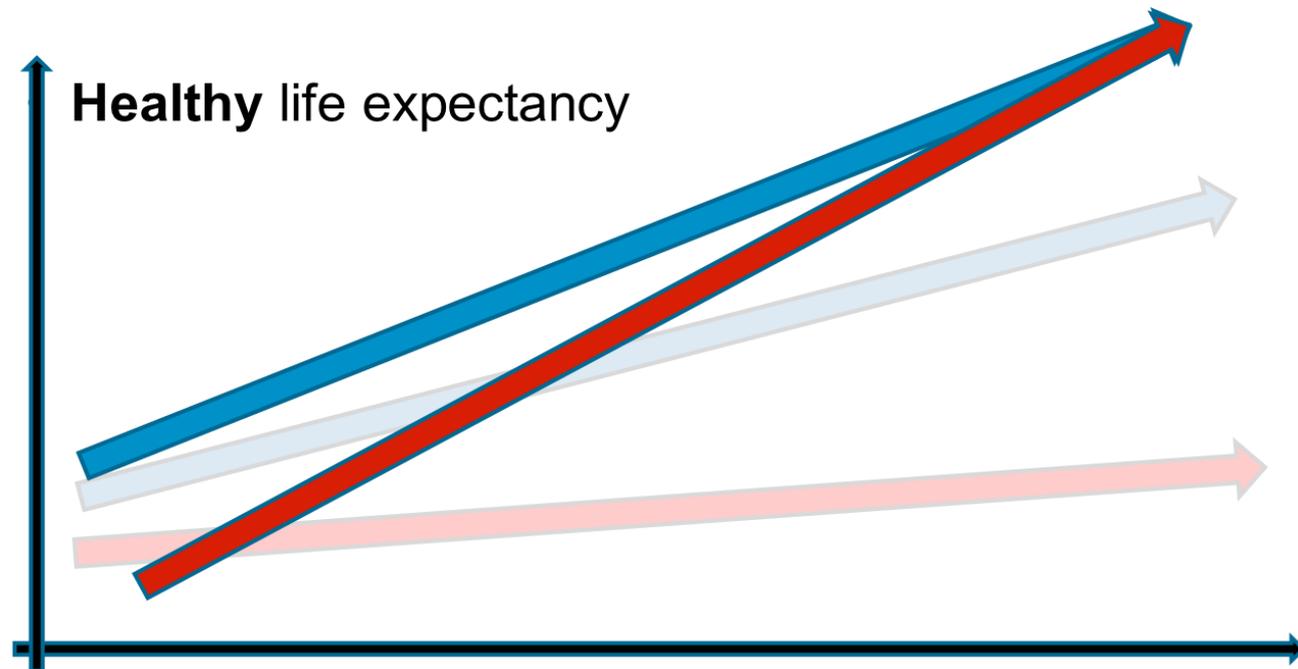


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Loses job as unable to work  
Impacts family income  
Impacts QoL of children

# What will this look like in 10 years time?



# Tackling inequalities throughout the care pathway



Who are we missing?

- Proactive case finding
- Early referral

How do we ensure timely access?

- Clinical and social prioritisation of waiting lists
- Active waiting
- Poverty proofing

Which patients are more likely to have poor experience/outcomes?

- Pro-active lifestyle referrals
- Social prescribing
- Wider determinants eg housing
- Health literacy
- Prevention in all pathways

EqIA ?

Accelerator experiences



# Potential indices

- Would the intervention have an impact on the following?
  - Comorbidities
  - Income/employment
  - Education
  - Quality of life of the patient
  - Quality of life of the family
- Should we assess the above qualitatively or quantitatively?



# Discussion



# Integration in Action series: Tackling elective recovery as a system

30 September 2021 08:00 - 08:55

**At this event we are bringing together front-line leaders to share insights into how they are dealing with the backlog. This is part of a new series from the NHS Confederation entitled Integration in Action, which will be showcasing examples of how local services are working effectively in partnership to address the biggest challenges facing the NHS.**

**Our panel will discuss how they are responding to the care backlog and we will then have a Q&A with the audience.**

**<https://www.nhsconfed.org/events/nhs-confederation-integration-action-series-tackling-elective-recovery-system>**

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