



Finance Bulletin

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News

New fund to tackle cancer screening inequalities and save lives

200 million for local cancer care to address gap in screening uptake and reduce screening inequalities in deprived areas.

DHSC, 29 January 2026

Available from: [New fund to tackle cancer screening inequalities and save lives - GOV.UK](#)

Public Accounts Committee inquiry on the New Hospital Programme: Committee inquiry on the New Hospital Programme: submission form NHS Providers

NHS Providers, 12 February 2026

Available from: [Public Accounts Committee inquiry on the New Hospital Programme: submission from NHS Providers](#)

Health leaders welcome government's acceptance of Pay Review Bodies' recommendations for NHS Agenda for Change staff.

Response to the government's acceptance of the above.

NHS Confederation, 12 February 2026

Available from: [Health leaders welcome government's acceptance of Pay Review Bodies' recommendations for NHS Agenda for Change staff | NHS Confederation](#)



NHS Confederation comments on announcement that costs of UK-US pharma deal will be met by DHSC.

Health leaders will be reassured to hear that frontline NHS service budgets will not be raided to fund these higher drug prices.

NHS Confederation, 4 February 2026

Available from: [NHS Confederation comments on announcement that costs of UK–US pharma deal will be met by DHSC | NHS Confederation](#)

Articles

Public Sector Pension Reform

Modelling a shift to a funded Defined-Contribution scheme

Policy Exchange, 26 January 2026

Available from: [Policy Exchange - Public Sector Pension Reform](#)

Should we be concerned about a forecasted doubling of health care spending?

Public spending on health is the largest single item of public spending in the UK, with funding expected to rise to 14.5% of GDP by 2073/74.

The Kings Fund, Sarah Arnold, 12 February 2026

Available from: [Concern About Forecasted Doubling Of Health Care Spending | The King's Fund](#)

Unknowns of drug company payment disclosure: why the UK needs payment transparency legislation

Legislation is necessary to ensure full transparency of industry payments in the UK's healthcare.

BMJ, Piotr Ozieranski et al, 2026, doi:10.1136/ bmjebm-2024-113101

Available from: [Unknowns of drug company payment disclosure: why the UK needs payment transparency legislation](#)

NHS Fleet to benefit from £4 million EV charging boost

The NHS in England will receive a £4 million funding boost to install hundreds of new EVC sockets.

NHE, 27 February 2026

Available from: [NHS fleet to benefit from £4 Million EV charging boost | UK Healthcare News](#)

Reports

Can financial incentives shift health care from an inpatient to an outpatient setting?

One policy lever to induce healthcare providers to reduce costs and increase efficiency is the use of financial incentives.



Centre for Health Economics, research paper 201, Katja Grasic et al, January 2026, doi.org/10.15124/yao-2x4t-xw96

Available from: [CHE RP Cover 201](#)

NHS Pay Review Body Thirty-Ninth Report 2026

This report sets out the NHSPRB's analysis of evidence provided by relevant organisations and makes recommendations and observations.

DHSC, 12 February 2026

Available from: [NHS Pay Review Body Thirty-Ninth Report 2026 - GOV.UK](#)

Funding & Financial Frameworks

Proposed 2026 changes to the statutory scheme for branded medicine pricing

DHSC, 10 February 2026

Available from: [Proposed 2026 changes to the statutory scheme for branded medicines pricing - GOV.UK](#)

Framework agreement between DHSC and NHS Counter Fraud Authority: 2026 to 2029

Describes the working relationship between the DHSC and the NHS Counter Fraud Authority.

Available from: [Framework agreement between DHSC and NHS Counter Fraud Authority: 2026 to 2029 - GOV.UK](#)

Requesting transfers of NHS Property

Guidance for NHS Trusts and Foundation trusts on requesting transfers of estate owned by NHS property services.

DHSC, 29 January 2026

Available from: [Requesting transfers of NHS property - GOV.UK](#)

Public health grants to local authorities: 2026 to 2027

The public health grant allocations and monetary conditions for local authorities to improve health in local populations.

DHSC, 9 February 2026

Available from: [Public health grants to local authorities: 2026 to 2027 - GOV.UK](#)

Blogs

Measuring a moving target: the complex story of public health and prevention spending in local government

What do the latest set of allocations of grant funds for preventative activity and treatments and wider trends reveal.

Kings Fund, David Buck, Danielle Jefferies, 10 February 2026



Available from: [The Complex Story Of Public Health And Prevention Spending In Local Government | The King's Fund](#)

Public sector crises, “the welfare crunch” and the future of health and care

The King’s Fund, Luca Tiratelli, 12 February 2026

Available from: [Public Sector Crises, ‘The Welfare Crunch’ And The Future Of Health And Care | The King's Fund](#)