

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD - 5 SEPTEMBER 2013****REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH****HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION:
NATIONAL CONTEXT****Purpose of Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Health and Wellbeing Board with the national context regarding Health and Social Care Integration.
2. The local vision for Health and Social Care Integration is the subject of the Health and Wellbeing Board Development Session scheduled for Friday 27th September at 9am.
3. The Health and Wellbeing Board Steering Group indicated that it would be useful for members of the Health and Wellbeing Board to understand the national policy context for Health and Social Care Integration and possible implications for partnership structures.

National Spending Round: Health Settlement 2015-16.

4. On 26th June 2013, the Chancellor announced the Health Settlement for 2015-16, which included the creation of a £3.8 billion Integration Transformation Fund. Further details are set out in the statement from NHS England and the Local Government Association attached as Appendix A to this report.

National Voices.

5. National Voices, the national coalition of health and social care charities in England, was commissioned by NHS England to create a narrative for co-ordinated care.
6. National Voices found that there was no single definition or model of integrated care but there were principles that could be used to stimulate change and measure progress. National Voices worked with its members to develop the Principles for Integrated Care, which have since been endorsed by Sir David Nicholson, chief executive of the NHS Commissioning Board. The Principles are attached as Appendix B to this report.

7. These principles stress that coordinated care will be most successful if the patient's perspective is central at all times. If care is to focus on the needs of and outcomes for, the people who use services, it must be designed and evaluated with them, their support networks and local communities. To consider what success might look like, the principles also look at the kinds of statements patients and service users might make, if services were better joined-up.

Recommendation

8. It is recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the contents of this report.

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Appendix A – Statement on the Health and Social Care Integration Transformation Fund
Appendix B – National Voices Principles for Integrated Care