



**North Area ICP Evaluation Update
Strategic ICP Meeting 21 June 2023**

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*

North Area ICP Chair

Councillor Lynne Caffrey

ICB Executive Area Director

Levi Buckley

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

Introduction

The North Area ICP has met on two 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 12 March 2023 (Gateshead)

Dan Jackson delivered a presentation on the '*Role of ICPs within Integrated Care Systems and their relationships to Health and Wellbeing Boards and Place-Based Partnerships*'. This was well received and a helpful overview explaining how the role of the Area ICP, ICB Place Committees and Health and Wellbeing Boards align.

Peter Rooney delivered a presentation on the '*Integrated Care Strategy and opportunities for joint working on the social and economic determinants of health.*' It was acknowledged to achieve the goals detailed within the strategy, we must work together to build up and support the health and care workforce, use combined resources and involving communities in understanding people's needs and experiences.

Paul Jones provided an update on key themes from the public and it was agreed that a report from Healthwatch would be a standing item for all meetings to understand the needs, experiences and concerns of people who use health and social care services.

There was an acknowledgement for the joint work already underway in the North, for example work around public health and the prevention board and it was agreed that these could be discussed in the next meeting.



Meeting held on 14 June 2023 (Gateshead)

Levi Buckley introduced himself as the newly appointed Executive Director (North and North Cumbria). He acknowledged the valuable areas of collaborative working including prevention, healthier and fairer and workforce and development. System working moving forward will be invaluable including ICB level working, and area level working, with an important emphasis on place-based working.

Alice Wisemen, Director of Public Health for Gateshead, and Claire Mills, Prevention Board Programme Manager delivered a presentation on the ICB Healthier and Fairer Programme, providing an update on the work of the group to date and the individual workstreams; prevention, health inequalities, NHS contributions to wider determinants and Population Health Management. Areas of collaborative work included prevention, the healthier and fairer programme and workforce development.

The group then discussed the collective work undertaken by Directors of Public Health and partner organisations across the North. The discussion illustrated how workstreams can be segmented at place, area, and system level to use resources in an effective manner for determining the interventions that can be supported at scale while supporting tailoring of interventions at a local level.

There was a further discussion about the 5 priorities within the healthier Fairer workstream and the potential for working on one or more of these intensively across the ICP North footprint.

Future collaborative work for the group to focus on obesity, and it was agreed that a group would get together to decide which area to focus on, which could potentially be alcohol or tobacco control or obesity.

Dan Jackson presented on the approach to develop a work and health partnership strategy in the North of Tyne.

Paul Jones, Healthwatch, identified some of the common issues in the North, access to NHS dentistry, access to GPs and primary care, hospital discharge and support for carers.

Plans for Next Steps

The first two meetings of the North Area ICP set the scene and focus now moves onto next steps. The following future agenda items were suggested, and a programme of work will be developed:

A study on potential joint working around weight management services will be developed to report back to the next meeting.

A group will get together, including Directors of Public Health, to discuss future areas of focus, considering obesity, alcohol, and tobacco control.

Work will continue to ensure a fair representation of organisations at future meetings.

Next meeting: 6 September 2023 – venue to be confirmed