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**Faster at-home medical support**

Millions more people will benefit from [quicker care at home](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fintouch.cmail20.com%2Ft%2Fd-l-zhkilky-tjxdrjjp-i%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C5be0599cc6ac4c94806308db31fa7f0c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638158724156458295%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=s4Xh%2B1aTqqNZqpv7hN688by%2B2k6iLZh8DX6LMB0TLSQ%3D&reserved=0) from community response teams.

The teams will respond to less clinically urgent 999 calls within 2 hours and treat patients who have had falls, need urgent diabetes support, or are suffering from confusion.

These services will be scaled up to include taking more referrals from ambulance services, 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

[https://www.england.nhs.uk/2023/03/millions-of-patients-to-benefit-from-care-at-home-thanks-to-nhs-community-response-teams/](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.england.nhs.uk%2F2023%2F03%2Fmillions-of-patients-to-benefit-from-care-at-home-thanks-to-nhs-community-response-teams%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C5be0599cc6ac4c94806308db31fa7f0c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638158724156458295%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=3s1e7AOd5dANQIigKLSLMB7tUoFpgMNsnA4vi6wXi1Y%3D&reserved=0)

**On-the-spot Liver scans identify liver damage**

A [new initiative to check for Liver Cancer](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fintouch.cmail20.com%2Ft%2Fd-l-zhkilky-tjxdrjjp-k%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C5be0599cc6ac4c94806308db31fa7f0c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638158724156458295%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rd15r7acupvDoWvgDwk8vy7xFZFWY2WGDM9D1KQMPw8%3D&reserved=0) in high-risk communities has been rolled out as part of a major drive to diagnose cancer earlier and save lives. Mobile trucks are visiting communities across the country at GP Practices, recovery services, food banks, diabetes clinics, sexual health clinics and homeless shelters to perform quick, non-invasive scans.

[https://www.england.nhs.uk/2023/03/nhs-on-the-spot-liver-scans-find-one-in-10-people-have-liver-damage-that-could-lead-to-deadly-cancer/](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.england.nhs.uk%2F2023%2F03%2Fnhs-on-the-spot-liver-scans-find-one-in-10-people-have-liver-damage-that-could-lead-to-deadly-cancer%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C5be0599cc6ac4c94806308db31fa7f0c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638158724156614496%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=5sgaKon%2BbX6pHhgwUQwf0%2Fnkib48KvEhbPYuD9CSOiY%3D&reserved=0)

From 01 April**,** [**NHS England has responsibility for all activities previously undertaken by Health Education England and NHS Digital**](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fintouch.cmail20.com%2Ft%2Fd-l-zhkilky-tjxdrjjp-yd%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C5be0599cc6ac4c94806308db31fa7f0c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638158724156614496%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=pvpd4i0GraN0%2Bb6xYcieMy2xn9A0EzOGmUdcr65q%2B%2FQ%3D&reserved=0).

This includes ensuring that the healthcare workforce has the right numbers, skills, values and behaviours, and running the vital IT systems and data collections, analysis and dissemination, to support excellent healthcare delivery and improved outcomes for patients and the public.

**On 01 April, NHS England will be delegating the responsibility for commissioning pharmaceutical services, general ophthalmic and dental services to local Integrated Care Boards.**

This fulfils our long-term policy ambition of giving systems responsibility for managing local population health needs, tackling inequalities, and addressing fragmented pathways of care.