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Alcohol misuse



[Alcohol harm map](#)

Alcohol Concern

This map aims to support service planning by providing information on the number of people drinking at unsafe levels and the number of alcohol-related hospital admissions, alcohol-related healthcare costs and alcohol-related deaths in England.

Behaviour change

[Effectiveness of mass media interventions for HIV prevention, 1986–2013: a meta-analysis](#) **Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects**

An independent critical appraisal report produced for the Centre for Reviews and Dissemination's Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects.

[Restricting or banning alcohol advertising to reduce alcohol consumption in adults and adolescents](#)

Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

This systematic review evaluates the benefits, harms and costs of restricting or banning the advertising of alcohol, via any format, compared with no restrictions or counter-advertising, on alcohol consumption in adults and adolescents.

Child health

[The impact of cooking classes on food-related preferences, attitudes, and behaviors of school-aged children: a systematic review of the evidence, 2003–2014](#)

Preventing Chronic Disease

This systematic review assesses the evidence on childhood cooking programs and their association with changes in food-related preferences, attitudes and behaviours of children aged 5 to 12 years.

[The link between pupil health and wellbeing and attainment: a briefing for head teachers, governors and staff in education settings](#)

Public Health England

This briefing summarises the key evidence that highlights the link between health and wellbeing and educational attainment.

[On the edge: ChildLine spotlight report on suicide](#)

NSPCC

This report looks at what young people have told ChildLine, and examines what they need when they are already distressed and contemplating taking their own lives. The report also details a series of recommendations that show how simple changes, in the way young people are listened to and supported, can make a huge difference.

[Troubled families: supporting health needs](#)

Department of Health, Department for Communities and Local Government, and Public Health England

These documents are designed to help health teams support the health needs of troubled families and work with local councils.

[Young lives behind bars: the health and human rights of children and young people detained in the criminal justice system](#)

British Medical Association

This report sets out how doctors can recognise risk factors for future offending and seize the opportunity to intervene. It makes 17 recommendations for doctors working in the community and in secure institutions, and also provides advice for commissioners and policymakers.

Dental and oral health

[Oral health survey of three-year-old children 2013: a report on the prevalence and severity of dental decay](#)

Public Health England

This report presents the results from the first national survey of the oral health of children aged 3 years in England.

Equality and diversity



[Homes and living spaces for people with sight loss: a guide for interior designers](#)

Thomas Pocklington Trust

This guide is aimed at interior designers who are involved in the design or refurbishment of residential and nursing homes, extra care housing and mainstream housing developments and those involved in making adaptations to existing properties for individuals and families.

Health improvement



[Healthier lives: diabetes, hypertension and NHS Health Check](#)

Public Health England

This online tool includes information on prevalence and variation in treatment for diabetes and high blood pressure and availability of NHS Health Checks. The data for each local authority, clinical commissioning group and general practice are compared to the England average.

[Making every contact count: taking every opportunity to improve health and wellbeing](#)

Local Government Association

This document uses case studies to show the range of ways in which public health in councils is approaching 'making every contact count'.

[People in control of their own health and care: the state of involvement](#)

The King's Fund

This report examines the reasons for the lack of progress towards fully involving people in their own health and care and considers how to advance the cause of making person-centred care the core of health and care reform.

Infectious diseases



[Global tuberculosis report 2014](#)

World Health Organization

This annual report provides a comprehensive and up-to-date assessment of the tuberculosis epidemic and the progress in implementing and financing prevention, care and control of tuberculosis at global, regional and country levels.

[Information to support the commissioning of chlamydia screening in general practice and community pharmacies](#)

Public Health England

This guidance aims to support commissioners and service providers in achieving high quality chlamydia screening services. It can be adapted to suit local circumstances and provides suggested sections that commissioners may wish to include in their contracts with providers of chlamydia screening.

Mental health and wellbeing



[A qualitative research synthesis examining the effectiveness of interventions used by occupational therapists in mental health](#)

Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects

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[How can 'positive risk-taking' help build dementia-friendly communities?](#)

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

This viewpoint explores how 'positive risk-taking' can help communities become dementia-friendly.

Physical activity



[Claiming the health dividend: a summary and discussion of value for money estimates from studies of investment in walking and cycling](#)

Department for Transport

This report compiles the latest cost-benefit evidence from studies that have calculated health benefits of walking and cycling, alongside other benefits such as savings in travel time, congestion and accidents.

[Everybody active, every day: an evidence-based approach to physical activity](#)

Public Health England

These documents present an evidence-based approach for national and local action to address the physical inactivity epidemic.

Workforce



[A systematic review of barriers to data sharing in public health](#)

BMC Public Health

This systematic review looks at potential barriers to sharing routinely collected public health data.

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