REDUCING HEALTHCARE INEQUALITIES

The Core20PLUS5 approach is designed to support Integrated Care Systems to drive targeted action in healthcare inequalities improvement.

**Target population**

- Core20: The most deprived 20% of the national population as identified by the Index of Multiple Deprivation.
- Plus: ICS-chosen population groups experiencing poorer-than-average health access, experience and/or outcomes, who may not be captured within the Core20 alone and would benefit from a tailored healthcare approach e.g. inclusion health groups.

**Key clinical areas of health inequalities**

1. **Maternity**: Ensuring continuity of care for 75% of women from BAME communities and from the most deprived groups.
2. **Severe Mental Illness (SMI)**: Ensuring annual health checks for 60% of those living with SMI (bringing SMI in line with the success seen in Learning Disabilities).
3. **Chronic Respiratory Disease**: A clear focus on Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), driving up uptake of Covid, Flu and Pneumonia vaccines to reduce infective exacerbations and emergency hospital admissions due to those exacerbations.
4. **Early Cancer Diagnosis**: 75% of cases diagnosed at stage 1 or 2 by 2028.
5. **Hypertension Case-Finding** and optimal management and lipid optimal management.

**Smoking Cessation** positively impacts all 5 key clinical areas.