



Public Health
England

Protecting and improving the nation's health

Public Health England System Changes (June 2021)

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Public Health England – Our purpose

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PHE exists to protect and improve the nation's health and wellbeing, and reduce health inequalities. We do this through world-leading science, research, knowledge and intelligence, advocacy, partnerships and the delivery of specialist public health services. We are an executive agency of the Department of Health and Social Care, and a distinct delivery organisation with operational autonomy. We provide government, local government, the NHS, Parliament, industry and the public with evidence-based professional, scientific and delivery expertise and support.



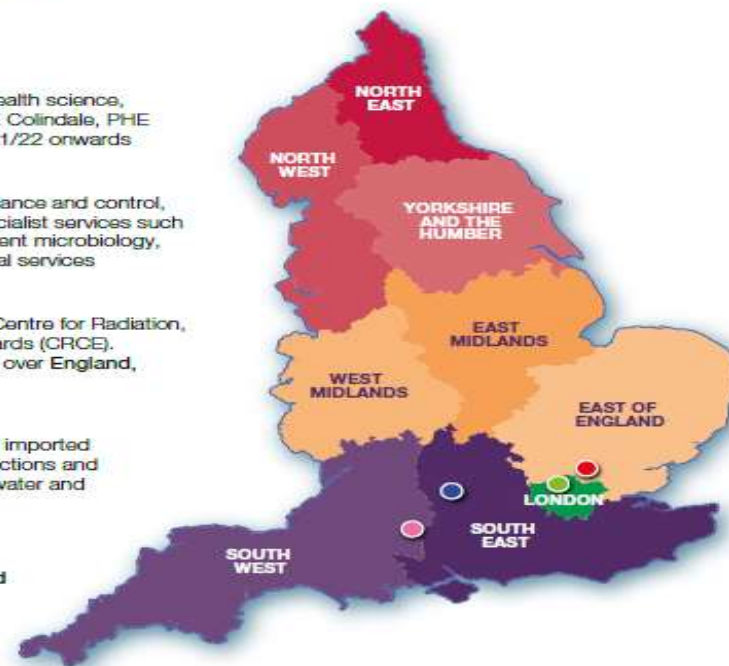
Our national and local presence

PHE has 9 teams in 4 regions around England to support implementation where people live and work. We are a nationwide organisation offering a range of specialist public health services to support the work of local government, the NHS and the whole public health system in every part of the country.

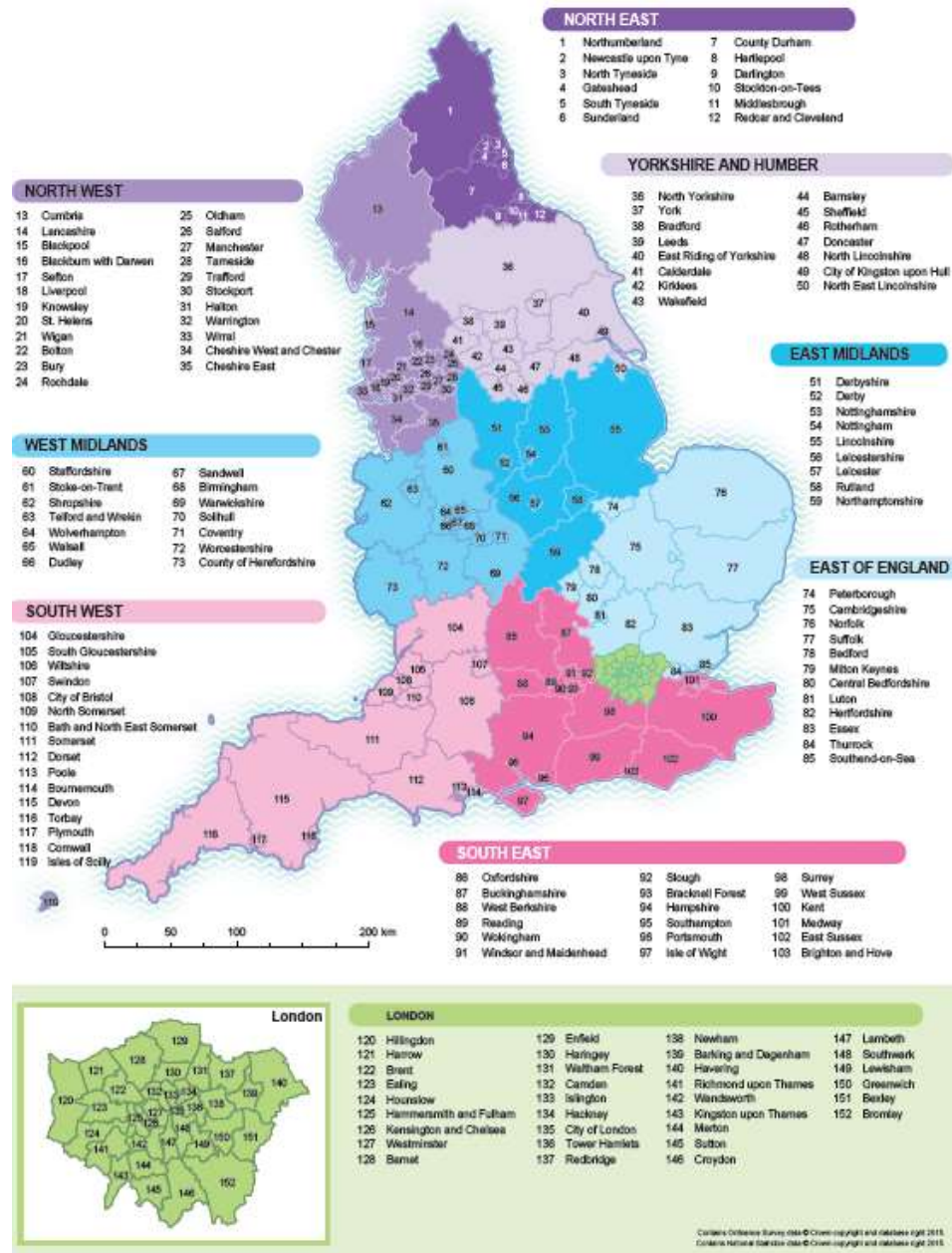
Our staff work from 49 locations

- **PHE Harlow**
PHE national campus for public health science, bringing together the work of PHE Colindale, PHE Porton and the PHE HQ from 2021/22 onwards
- **PHE Colindale**
includes infectious disease surveillance and control, reference microbiology, other specialist services such as sequencing and high containment microbiology, plus food, water and environmental services
- **PHE Chilton**
includes the headquarters of the Centre for Radiation, Chemical and Environmental Hazards (CRCE). CRCE operates from 11 locations over England, Scotland and Wales
- **PHE Porton**
includes departments for rare and imported pathogens, research, culture collections and emergency response, plus food, water and environmental services

PHE has a number of regional public health laboratories based in large NHS hospitals and a food, water and environment laboratory in York



PHE Place & Regions



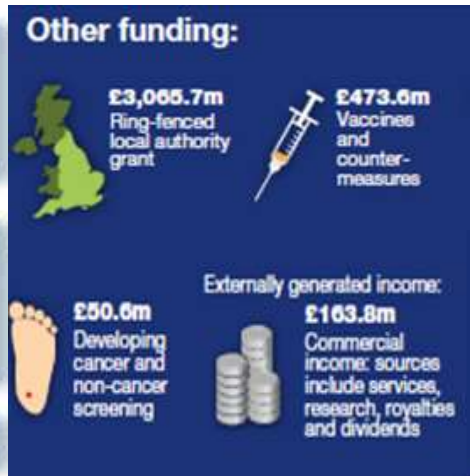
In 2020, North East and Yorkshire & Humber merger and East and West Midlands merger

Public Health England – People and resources

PHE Budget for 2020/21 (prior to Covid-19 impact)



PHE's baseline operating expenditure for 2020/21 costs a net £287m to the taxpayer. The amount excludes the big sums for Vaccines and Countermeasures, Public Health Grant, screening programmes and Covid-19.



Note: The DHSC Group financial plan for 2020/21 is not yet finalised

* Financial and commercial, Communications, Corporate affairs, People, PHE Harlow, Strategy, Infrastructure (ICT, Digital and Estates)

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)

The UKHSA will undertake functions in 5 core areas:

- **Prevent:** anticipating and taking action to mitigate infectious diseases and other hazards to health before they materialise, for example through vaccination and influencing behaviour
- **Detect:** detecting and monitoring infectious diseases and other hazards to health, including novel diseases, new environmental hazards, and other threats through world class health surveillance, joined-up data, horizon scanning and early warning systems
- **Analyse:** analysing infectious disease and other hazards to health to determine how best to control and respond to them, through coordinated and intelligent data analysis, modelling, and evaluation of interventions based on robust evidence and developing the knowledge base
- **Respond:** taking action to mitigate and resolve infectious diseases and hazards to health when they occur, through direct delivery, supporting health protection system partners with tools and advice, engaging with citizens, and flexibly deploying resources, including scaling operations at pace
- **Lead:** providing health protection system leadership, working in partnership with wider central government, the devolved administrations and public health agencies for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, local authorities, the NHS, academia and industry to provide effective preparation and response to the full range of threats to health and strengthening the health protection system and workforce

The Office of Health Promotion (OHP)

- The OHP will be the home of the Government's health promotion and prevention agenda. Under the leadership of the CMO, it will develop and lead the delivery of an ambitious strategy for improving the nation's health.
- It will bring together evidence, data and intelligence on what drives better and more equal health outcomes and what works in addressing health risks; policy development to take forward priority areas for action across government; commissioning and delivery support to the wider health system; and design and delivery of health improvement interventions.
- It will shape and drive health improvement priorities for Government, and will work with the whole of Government, the NHS, local government, industry and wider partners to deliver these.
- By placing public health at the heart of the DHSC, using the leadership of the SofS and the CMO to drive change across government and the health and care system, and bringing together different skills and perspectives to fuel innovation in policy and delivery, the OHP will enable us to go further in improving the nation's health and tackling health inequalities, seizing this unique opportunity for change.

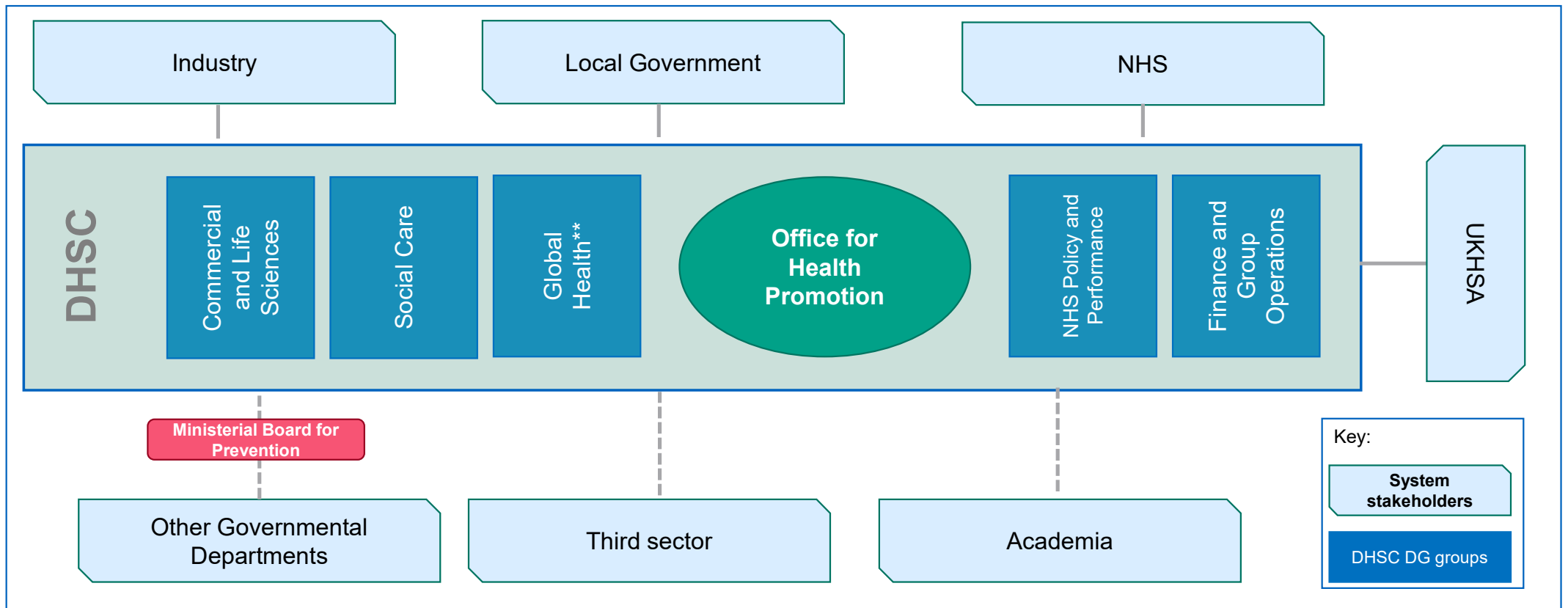
Other PHE functions

These functions will move to NHS England/Improvement:

- Healthcare public health
- Screening and immunisation
- Dental public health
- Health and justice
- Specialised commissioning

The OHP will sit at the heart of DHSC and the wider system

- The OHP will be an integral part of DHSC and will deliver through a wide range of partners.
- The full range of DHSC's levers will support the OHP in improving the public's health, while the capabilities of the OHP will benefit the whole Department.



* To note, the DG groups listed are current (and exclude Public Health)

** Including Health Protection

To be determined

1. How will UKHSA, Office of Health Promotion (DHSC), NHSE and local government interact?
2. Local operating procedures for health protection between UKHSA and 12 x NE Local Authorities
3. Funding of UKHSA and all other public health destinations
4. How will the ICSs work in the future? Will there be a role for the Regional Public Health Team, and if so, what will it be?
5. Future pandemic planning, surge capacity and 'reserve force'
6. Spending review.....

Role of the Health & Wellbeing Board

- Health and Wellbeing Boards are a formal committee of the local authority charged with promoting greater integration and partnership between bodies from the NHS, public health and local government
- They have a statutory duty, with Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), to produce a joint strategic needs assessment and a joint health and wellbeing strategy for their local population
- Above all, the Health & Wellbeing Board is concerned about the population it serves.....PLACE