

Hampshire County Council: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Glossary of Commonly used abbreviations in the NHS

Please note this is not exhaustive and will need to be revised on a regular basis. Additional information and an explanation of some of these terms is available in the 'Guide to the NHS for Members and officers of health scrutiny committees' – [NHS Guide](#)

AAA	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
A & E	Accident and Emergency or Emergency Department (ED)
AMH	Adult Mental Health
AOT	Assertive Outreach Team
AS	Adult Services
CAMHS	Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Group (was GP Commissioning Consortium)
CHC	Continuing Healthcare
CHD	Coronary Heart Disease
CPN	Community Psychiatric Nurse
CQC	Care Quality Commission
CQUIN	Commissioning for Quality & Innovation (payment framework)
CX	Chief Executive
DAAT	Drug Alcohol and Action Team
DGH	District General Hospital
DNA	Did not Attend (e.g. outpatient appointments)
DH	Department of Health
DTC	Delayed Transfer of Care
ED	Emergency Department / A&E
EWTD	European Working Time Directive
F&G	Fareham and Gosport
FT	Foundation Trust
GMS	General Medical Services
GP	General Practitioner
HCC	Hampshire County Council
HES	Hospital Episode Statistics
HHFT	Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust (incorporates the former Basingstoke and North Hampshire FT & Winchester and Eastleigh Healthcare Trust)
HOSC	Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
HWB	Health & Wellbeing Board
IAPT	Improving Access to Psychological Therapies
ICAS	Independent Complaints Advocacy Service
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
ICT	Integrated Care Team
IRP	Independent Reconfiguration Panel
ISTC	Independent Sector Treatment Centre
JCPCT	Joint Committee of Primary Care Trusts
JHWS	Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

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JSNA	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
LAT	Local Area Team (NHS Commissioning Board)
LIFT	Local Improvement Finance Initiative
Local HW	Local HealthWatch
MIU	Minor Injuries Unit
NED	Non-executive Director
NEH&F	North East Hampshire and Farnham
NHS	National Health Service
NICE	National Institute for Clinical Excellence
NSF	National Service Framework
OAT	Out of Area Treatment
OBC	Outline Business Case
OOH	Out of Hours
OP	Out-patients
OPMH	Older People's Mental Health (services)
PALS	Patient Advice and Liaison Service
PCT	Primary Care Trust
PFI	Private Finance Initiative
PHT	Portsmouth Hospitals Trust
QAH	Queen Alexandra Hospital, Cosham
QIPP	Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention
RHCH	Royal Hampshire County Hospital (now part of HHFT)
S&BP FT	Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
SCAS	South Central Ambulance Service
SCG (T)	Specialist Commissioning Group (Team)
SEH	South East Hampshire
SEN	Special Educational Need
SGH	Southampton General Hospital
SHIP	Southampton, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth
TC	Treatment Centre
UHS FT	University Hospital Southampton Foundation Trust (was SUHT)
WiC	Walk in Centre

National Health Service Act 2006

Section 244 Requires that the NHS consults the Committee on substantial change or variation in service provision.

Section 242 Requires that the NHS involves and consults patients in:

- **Planning service provision**
- **Developing and considering changes.**
- **Making decisions about how services operate**