

# Local Authority Assessment

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# Local authority assessment from April 2023

- From 1 April, we have new duty in the Health and Care Act 2022 to independently assess how Local Authorities are delivering their Care Act functions
- We have started to review published evidence and data, across all local authorities, focusing on two quality statements
  - Care provision, integration and continuity
  - Assessing needs
- Alongside this, we will run **full end to end pilots** of our assessment approach
- We have initially selected three local authorities for this which are:
  - Birmingham City Council
  - Nottingham City Council
  - Lincolnshire County Council

# Start of formal assessments – from Autumn 2023

- Assessing local authorities is a new duty for CQC
- Before we move to ongoing assessments, we need to establish a starting point
- We will start formal assessments of all local authorities and aim to carry out up to 20 assessments from the autumn
- We will continue to carry out formal assessments and report as published individual ratings from early 2024 onwards



Source: NHS Confederation

# Engaging with elected members

- In our assessments, we will gather and assess evidence from a range of sources
- We collect evidence either on site or off site, depending on the type of required evidence for a quality statement
- The evidence required for each quality statement is in 6 categories:
  - People's experience
  - Feedback from staff and leaders
  - Feedback from partners
  - Process
  - Outcomes
  - Observation

# Preparing for assessment



Care Act 2014

- Review the themes of the Care Act that our assessment process is designed to test out, including the specific statutory requirements
- Review our assessment process - how performance will be measured and rated
- Be aware of the preparation being done by the Director of Adult Services (DAS)
- Contribute to the self-assessment: this describes current performance, risks and challenges and the plans to address them
- Share your insights into local people's experiences and outcomes of adult social care in your area with the DAS
- Highlight any local activities, organisations or projects that are improving people's well-being.

# Thank you

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