



# Blueprint for the future: Sexual & Reproductive Health services in England

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# Successes:



2012 Health and Social Care Act: changed commissioning landscape across England



Integration of SRH services - care offered via one appointment or location

Use of LARC increased from 28% in 2011-12 to 56% in 2021-22



Access to services has significantly improved – increase of 35% in consultation numbers in same time period

Teenage conception rates at lowest levels since records began



Major developments in testing technologies and diagnostics – more choice and improved lab turnarounds

HIV leads and activists working collaboratively to improve access to PrEP and testing, improving prevention

# Challenges:



24% real terms reduction in the Public Health Ring fenced grant



Syphilis increased by 140% between 2013 and 2019 – record levels

By 2023, Syphilis rebounded after COVID to highest numbers since 1940s



Almost half (45%) of pregnancies nationally are unplanned or ambivalent, highlighting that better and more equitable access to contraception are a necessity (in all settings)



NATSAL (and other research and insight) points toward potential changing sexual patterns/behaviours – e.g. number of reported partners, lifetime partners – but needs more investigation

Different commissioning structures by area, with competing local priorities

# Looking ahead – By 2034

## What will change?

- the population is projected to increase by 9.9%..
- .. the population aged 15-29 has the highest burden for STIs and overall delivery expected to increase by 6.28%..
  - ... Women aged 15-44 and eligible for LARC will increase by 4.69%..
- ... Population aged over 45 who are high burden for SI rates and treatment – will increase by 11%...

6 to fix –  
based on  
system  
conversations



# Next Steps:



See report for further details on our calls to action on the six to fix



Please share and socialise with your teams and local or regional system leaders



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Build ESHCG membership participation, events, partnership and sector-led improvement initiatives



Align six to fix with stakeholders and amplify shared messages (e.g. workforce development)



.. More to come!