

# National survey of Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) organisations involved in health promotion and prevention of ill health

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## Welcome

This online survey is part of a study funded through the Department of Health Policy Research Programme assessing the impact of transferring public health responsibilities to local government in April 2013.

We are seeking the views of employees and volunteers involved in management or governance within the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector in order to understand how VCSE organisations are involved in the commissioning and provision of health and wellbeing services. We hope that this research will of benefit to VCSE organisations through providing a national picture the sector's involvement in commissioning and identifying examples of innovative practice that can be shared.

The project is led by Durham University, in collaboration with the Universities of York and Coventry and Voluntary Organisations' Network North East (VONNE). A report of the survey will be made available on our project website:

<https://www.dur.ac.uk/public.health/projects/current/cphs/>

All responses are anonymised and neither participants nor their organisations will be identified.

We estimate that it will take you approximately 20 minutes to complete the survey.

We would appreciate your response by **Friday 3rd July**.

If you have any questions or if you experience technical difficulties accessing or submitting the survey please contact Catherine Taylor (research associate) at

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Thank you in advance for completing the survey.

We are interested in a broad range of services designed to improve health and address inequalities, including community development and wellbeing; lifestyle management services; health checks; preventive initiatives as part of services for particular client groups; and involvement in health-related initiatives across local authority directorates (such as environment, leisure, planning).

We would very much value your views over these issues.

## **Section 1: You and your organisation**

**1 Are you an employee or involved in managing/governing a community or voluntary group, charity or social enterprise in England?**

- Yes
- No

**2 Does your organisation currently provide projects, services or a forum for any of the Marmot recommendations, listed below?**

- Yes
- No

1. Give every child the best start in life
2. Enable all children, young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives
3. Create fair employment and good work for all
4. Ensure a healthy standard of living for all
5. Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities
6. Strengthen the role and impact of ill-health prevention.

**3 Where is the focus of your organisation's work?**

- North West
- North East
- Yorkshire and Humber
- West Midlands
- East Midlands
- East of England
- London
- South West
- South East
- National
- Other

**3.a If you selected Other, please describe in the box below:**

**4 What geographic area is the main focus of your organisation's work?**

- Smaller than local authority (neighbourhood/district)
- Local authority
- Sub-regional (covering two or more local authority areas)
- Regional
- National
- International

## Section 2: Your organisation's work on health and wellbeing

### 5 Who are the main beneficiaries of your organisation's work?

- Older people
- Children and young people
- People with mental health problems
- Families/parents
- Disabled people
- Carers
- Faith groups
- Black and minority ethnic groups
- Prisoners, victims and families of prisoners
- People with housing problems
- People with specific health conditions
- People experiencing social exclusion
- Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people
- Homeless people
- Charities and community groups (as an infrastructure organisation)
- Other

#### 5.a If you selected Other, please describe in the box below:

**6 Are you, or the organisation you belong to, directly involved in any of the following areas? (Please include services, interventions and initiatives and tick all that apply.)**

- Childhood obesity
- Adult obesity
- Health checks
- Follow on lifestyle management services after health checks
- Outreach for vulnerable or disadvantaged groups
- Health trainers
- Community health champions
- Physical activity
- Initiatives to address social exclusion
- Healthy eating
- Community development/capacity building
- Wellbeing services
- Counselling
- Smoking cessation
- Sexual health
- Drug and alcohol advice, support or treatment
- Young people's services
- Befriending services
- Leisure services
- Debt/welfare advice
- Health advocacy
- None of the above
- Other

**6.a If you selected Other, please describe in the box below:**

**You will now have the opportunity to provide information on up to three health and wellbeing projects or services that your organisation delivers.**

We are keen to capture information on how services have been commissioned/funded, projects that have participation from those with greatest health needs or health inequalities, or those that are innovative practice, pilots or testing new approaches.

**Project/Service #1**

**7 What is the name of the project/service?**

**8 Please provide a brief description of the project/service and why you have chosen to highlight it. If you are happy to provide links to relevant websites, please do so.**

**9 Which area of health and wellbeing is the service/project seeking to improve?**

**10 How is the project/service funded? (Please tick all that apply.)**



- Commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Commissioned by Local Authority
- Commissioned by NHS Trust(s) e.g. Hospital Trust
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and local authorities (joint funding)
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and NHS Trusts (joint funding)
- Grant from Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Grant from Local Authority
- Funded by Lottery or other grant giving body
- Funded by beneficiaries
- Don't know
- Other

**10.a** If you selected Other, please specify:

**11** Would you like to enter the details of another project or service?

- Yes
- No

## Project/service #2

**12** What is the name of the project/service?

**13** Please provide a brief description of the project/service and why you have chosen to highlight it. If you are happy to provide links to relevant websites, please do so.

**14** Which area of health and wellbeing is the service/project seeking to improve?

**15** How is the project/service funded? (Please tick all that apply.)

- Commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Commissioned by Local Authority
- Commissioned by NHS Trust(s) e.g. Hospital Trust
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and local authorities (joint funding)
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and NHS Trusts (joint funding)
- Grant from Clinical Commissioning Groups

- Grant from Local Authority
- Funded by Lottery or other grant giving body
- Funded by beneficiaries
- Don't know
- Other

**15.a** If you selected Other, please specify:

**16** Would you like to enter the details of another project or service? \*  
*Required*

- Yes
- No

## Project/Service #3

**17** What is the name of the project/service?

**18** Please provide a brief description of the project/service and why you have chosen to highlight it. If you are happy to provide links to relevant websites, please do so.

**19** Which area of health and wellbeing is the service/project seeking to improve?

**20** How is the project/service funded? (Please tick all that apply.)

- Commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Commissioned by Local Authority
- Commissioned by NHS Trust(s) e.g. Hospital Trust
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and local authorities (joint funding)
- Clinical Commissioning Groups and NHS Trusts (joint funding)
- Grant from Clinical Commissioning Groups

- Grant from Local Authority
- Funded by Lottery or other grant giving body
- Funded by beneficiaries
- Don't know
- Other

**20.a** If you selected Other, please specify:

## Section 3: Influencing public health commissioning

**21** What are your views on the following statements in relation to influencing public health priorities?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
My organisation and its service users know how to influence local public health priorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My organisation and its service users do influence local public health priorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would like my organisation to have greater influence on local public health priorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**22** What changes would need to take place for VCSE organisations to play a greater role in influencing the commissioning of health and wellbeing services?

## Section 4: Changes since the relocation of public health responsibilities to local authorities

**23** Since the public health reforms, how evident is the ‘local voice’ in the following?

	Less	About the same	More	Don't know
Identifying local public health needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Influencing Joint Strategic Needs Assessments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Influencing commissioning priorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Co-design of adult health and wellbeing services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Co-design of health and wellbeing services for younger people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community engagement in preventive initiatives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**24** How would you assess the impact of the public health reforms on the VCSE sector for the following?

	Less	About the same	More	Don't know
Influence on commissioning priorities of local authorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Influence on commissioning priorities of CCGs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Complexity of contractual arrangements	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coordination of views across VCSE networks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Variety in the services commissioned	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Involvement in providing preventive services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Complexity in funding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability of funding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provision of incentives for achieving improved health outcomes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emphasis on addressing health inequalities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emphasis on place-based initiatives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



**25** Can you indicate the main enablers to greater involvement of VCSE organisations in providing health and wellbeing services?

**26** Can you indicate the main barriers to greater involvement of VCSE organisations in providing health and wellbeing services?

## Section 5: Identifying innovative practice

**27** The reforms placed an emphasis on encouraging innovation in the provision of health and wellbeing services at a local level. In a few sentences or by providing a few key words, how would you define innovation?

**28** If you would like to highlight examples of local innovation, please do so in the box provided. If possible please provide links to documents/websites or provide contact details of individuals/organisations who may be able to provide additional information.

**29** Please use this box to make any comments on this survey or to tell us anything that has not already been covered.

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**30** If you would like to be kept informed about the research please provide us with your contact details.

Name	
Email	
Organisation	

You have now answered all the survey questions, please click finish to submit your responses.

## End of survey

**Many thanks for your time in filling out this survey. A report of the survey will be made available on our project website:**

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