



Devon, Plymouth and Torbay

# Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

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## A Statutory Duty

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Building on enhanced joint strategic needs assessments (JSNAs), the Health and Social Care Act places an additional duty on the local authority and Clinical Commissioning Group to develop a **joint health and wellbeing strategy** setting out how the needs identified in the relevant local JSNA are to be met.

(Department of Health 2012)



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# Principles

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- JSNAs and joint health and wellbeing strategies are key to **understanding inequalities** in local areas and the factors that influence them such as poor housing, worklessness or crime and how these impact on health and wellbeing outcomes across the community
- Joint health and wellbeing strategies should prioritise the issues requiring the **greatest attention**, avoiding the pitfalls of trying to take on every action all at once. They will not be a long list of everything that might be done; they will focus on key issues which make the biggest difference

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## A Strategy for Devon

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It is proposed the Devon Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will describe:

- the principles for prioritisation
- sources of evidence
- the Devon Overview
- the Health and Wellbeing priorities
- how progress will be measured
- a summary



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## Next steps

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- Consult on the priorities
- Produce and share a succinct draft strategy by the end of September 2012
- Scope the extent to which local commissioning plans reflect the priorities in the joint health and wellbeing strategy by December 2012