

# Core brief

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## Introduction

This issue of Core Brief provides information on the publication of the health and social care delivery plan and the Health and Safety Executive inspections in January 2017.

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## Health and social care delivery plan published

A national delivery plan to up the pace of improvement and change within Scotland's health and care system has been published today.

It sets out a series of key actions for government and local health and care services to deliver better patient care and better population health.

Key pieces of work already being taken forward are brought together in the plan including: investment in and the reform of GP services, primary care and social care services, including integration of health and social care; delivering more effective planning of NHS services; and intensifying efforts to improve public health and mental health services.

It is designed to help address the rising demand being faced by health and care services, and the changing needs of an ageing population.

[Click here](#) to read the full release.

## Health and Safety Executive Inspections January 2017

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have confirmed that they intend to visit NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde from the 17 until the 20 January 2017. The HSE have not yet confirmed what sites and departments may be visited. The HSE have however indicated that they intend to focus on skin health, falls (patient and staff) and sharps safety (needlestick injury).

The Health and Safety Service have produced a range of 'tool box talk' documents to help raise awareness of the key health and safety issues which will be considered by the HSE. These documents are available on HR Connect ([Toolbox Talks](#)) and have been distributed via email. A self audit questionnaire will also be distributed this week to help managers ensure they have appropriate measures in place.

The Health and Safety Service will also be undertaking mock-audits across the organisation the week of 9 January. More information on the HSE audits will be evaluated once locations and departments have been confirmed by the HSE.