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Blackpool Health and Wellbeing Board

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Health and Wellbeing Boards were formally established on 1 April 2013 as part of Government reforms to the NHS as set out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

The main purpose of Health and Well-being Board's is to oversee the new system for local health commissioning and to lead on the strategic planning and co-ordination of NHS, Public Health, Social Care and related Children's Services.

Functions

The key statutory functions of the Health and Wellbeing Boards are:

- To prepare Joint Strategic Needs Assessments (JSNAs) and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies (JHWSs)
- To encourage integrated working between health and social care commissioners
- To encourage close working between commissioners of health related services and the board itself
- To encourage close working between commissioners of health-related services, such as housing and many other local government services and commissioners of health and social care services

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