

# NHS Midlands and Lancashire Clinical Policy Development and Implementation 2024/25

## About us



### 25+ staff

2 IFR teams, 1 Policy team including 3 Consultants in Public Health, 2 GPs, 1 Nurse, 1 AHP and 20+ experienced administrators.



### >10 products

Exceptional case management; Policy adherence support; Waiting List prioritisation; Clinical Policy development, harmonisation and review; Enhanced and Rapid Evidence-reviews; Pathway signposting



### 3 ICB partners

Including NHS Cheshire & Merseyside, NHS Greater Manchester and NHS Lancashire & South Cumbria



### £1.8m+ income



### >£3.2m Healthcare System costs deflected



### >30 Service Development opportunities identified

## Products and Programmes

### Individual Funding Request (IFR) Management

Comprehensive on-line solution to IFR case management across the Northwest. Leveraging the expertise of clinicians, public health consultants, and clinical pharmacists to support fair access to treatment through robust, transparent decision-making.

Our approach includes thorough evaluations with a fair and equitable focus. Full Panel coordination and administration as well as complaint/FOI/MP Enquiry and Subject Access Request response support.

### Prior Approval (PA)

Supporting adherence to clinical commissioning policies across the Northwest with online applications, policy algorithm development, instant on-line decision-making, comprehensive reports and assurance auditing.

### ADHD Waiting List Prioritisation

Supporting fast-track pathway access for patients across Cheshire unable to wait to access diagnosis and treatment via the Right to Choose pathway.

### Public Health Support

A strong team of experienced Public Health Consultants providing hundreds of rapid evidence-reviews to inform local IFR and Clinical Policy decisions.

### Signposting

Signposting clinicians, commissioners and patients across the Northwest to appropriate pathways including other NHS and third sector providers requiring alternative funding authorisation.

### Clinical Policy Development

Effective and ethical clinical policy development across the Northwest region based on current evidence and changing commissioning priorities.

Our service included robust evidence reviews, stakeholder engagement, financial impact modelling, quality and equality assessments, implementation support, policy harmonisation, change management support and process reviews led by our Public Health team.

## Facts and Figures



### 900+ IFR applications managed



### 120+ Evidence Reviews

Enhance and rapid reviews (IFR and Clinical Policy) (C&M, LSC and GM)



### <5% Exceptional case approval rate



### >50 Policies developed

(C&M, LSC and GM)



### >1000 ADHD Referrals assessed for priority



### >3200 Policy adherence checks



### >40% Referrals prioritised



### 300+ Applications Signposted