

# Immediate solutions to address demand and capacity pressures in Hospital Eye Services

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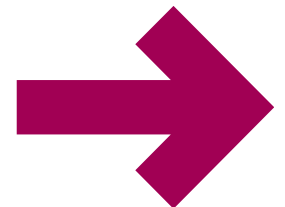


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- The presence of multiple health conditions in combination with vision loss compromises functional capacity.
- Vision loss and hearing loss leads to substantial decrements in the performance of activities and social roles
- Visual impairment '*propelling*' the disabling effect of comorbidities – the double jeopardy of sight loss.

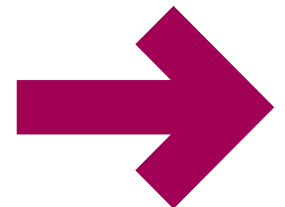
# Sustainability and transformation plans

- primary care will be key in driving the local changes to enable wider transformation of services
- recognising the need for significant development if primary care is to fulfil its potential at the heart of strengthened out of hospital systems.
- Understanding the key role CCGs have in leading this change.



# Sustainability and transformation plans

- To narrow the health and social care divide
- To narrow the gaps in health inequality,
- To improve the health of the populations
- To help bridge the funding gap



# Aims of the day...

## - making every contact count...

- Implications for the STP - in the areas of clinical services, public health, aging and disability, and vision rehabilitation.
- Highlight the importance of addressing the interaction between visual impairment and comorbid conditions among older adults
- Improving access to services for older people with vision loss – requiring multiple avenues of assessment, evaluation, and intervention.
- Doing more to refine local needs assessment, treatment and management, and outcome measurement.

