

INNOVATE

Dorset ICS Innovation Hub Newsletter

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Welcome to the first edition of our Dorset Innovation Hub newsletter!

We are delighted to publish the first edition of our online newsletter. Designed to be of interest to everyone working in health and social care within Dorset, we hope that you find this an accessible way of finding out about the latest news on innovation across Dorset and the help that is available to our innovators. Our newsletter also provides access to key resources, information on training opportunities and answers to some frequently asked questions.

What do we do?

The Dorset Innovation Hub (the Hub) is one of four hubs funded by The Health Foundation (HF) and is made up of partner organisations from across the Dorset Integrated Care System (ICS).

The hub draws on the respective partner organisations (details on page 5) experience and expertise and aims to support the sustainable adoption of locally prioritised proven innovations that can improve health and social care outcomes, equality of care and accessibility across Dorset.

Ultimately, we work with you to support your innovation project, be it medicines, technology, pathways, diagnostics, digital, and innovative ways of working (details on page 5).

If you are interested in hearing more, please do join our growing FutureNHS community of practice (details on page 6).

Alan Betts, Chair - Dorset Innovation Hub Programme Group
Sarah Chessell, Lead for the Dorset Innovation Hub



"If you always do what you always did, you will always get what you always got"

Albert Einstein

"There's a way to do it better—find it"

Thomas Eddison



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Defining Innovation

What is meant by the term innovation?

Innovation is defined in many ways both nationally and within Dorset. Therefore a key component of the initial work undertaken by the Dorset Innovation Hub (DIH) was to review and agree what the term 'innovation' represents both within DIH as well as in the wider context.

Within the Dorset Innovation Hub

The DIH utilises the principles of the "Enabling innovation and adoption in health and social care – Developing a shared view" report (Feb 2021) by the Accelerated Access Collaborative NHSE, Care Quality Commission (CQC), National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and partners. In this publication, the AAC/CQC use "the term innovation to cover both inventive (creating new ideas, products, services or models of care) and adoption (implementing what has worked elsewhere)." The AAC/CQC also state it is crucial that health and care systems are good at both so that new ideas are developed to solve problems and the best ones spread quickly.



<https://www.cqc.org.uk/publications/themed-work/enabling-innovation-adoption-health-social-care-developing-shared-view>

Wider context

To support the evaluation work of the DIH, the DIH Evaluation Working Group developed the following set of definitions to characterise key aspects of the DIH work programme.

Innovation – "Innovation is the intentional introduction of new approaches, practices, treatment, technologies and services within a health and care role, team, organisation, or system, which are designed to improve the health of the Dorset population."

Innovation Culture – "An innovation culture occurs when individuals, teams, organisations and system leaders, are receptive to innovation adoption, and provide the infrastructure needed to proactively facilitate innovation initiatives and their implementation."

Innovation Adoption – "Innovation is not just about the originating idea, but also the whole process of the successful development, implementation and spread of that idea into widespread use. This includes; scale up, spread and sustainability."



Training Sessions

Fundamentals of Innovation Adoption

02 November 22
10am to 4pm



Attending this 1-day face to face course you will:

- Explore the definition of innovation and the challenges of innovation adoption
- Learn about the key steps when taking forwards an innovation project
- Develop skills in using supportive frameworks and tools

Watch out for booking information shortly
<https://ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/training/>

Our Dorset Qi Lite

Qi Lite is a new and exciting Dorset-wide approach to give all organisations a standard introduction to quality improvement.

This 2-hour online course runs monthly. For information visit <https://ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/training/>

Our Dorset PM Lite

Project management lite covers the basics of project management, aimed at individuals who are new to project management, involved in projects, transformation or looking to refresh their knowledge.

<https://joinourdorset.nhs.uk/projectmanagement/>

NHS Innovation Accelerator

The [NHS Innovation Accelerator](#) (NIA) is an NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHS E&I) initiative that supports delivery of the NHS Long Term Plan priorities by accelerating uptake of promising innovations for patient, population, and NHS staff benefit, and providing real time practical insights on spread to inform national strategy.

Launched in 2015, the NIA is commissioned by the Accelerated Access Collaborative at NHS E&I and is delivered in partnership with the 15 Academic Health Science Networks (AHSNs).

As part of an annual call, the NIA invites applications from exceptional individuals representing innovations that meet a real need within the NHS. Applications undergo a robust, multi-stage assessment process involving a college of expert patient, clinical and commercial assessors. This panel is drawn from a wide range of organisations, including NHS E&I, AHSNs, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and The Health Foundation.

Successful applicants join an existing community of innovative individuals ('Fellows') with a passion for sharing their learning and expertise, which are collated in annual research reports and a quarterly INSIGHTS newsletter.

This year, 10 innovators have been selected and will receive support to introduce their solutions across England's NHS over the next three years. Innovations include Dem Dx, a CE-marked AI-enhanced Clinical Reasoning Platform, and Maxwell Plus, a breakthrough technology in diagnosing prostate cancer early.

To date, the NIA has supported 72 Fellows representing 74 innovations. More information about the NIA programme and the range of innovations being supported can be found on the [NIA website](#).



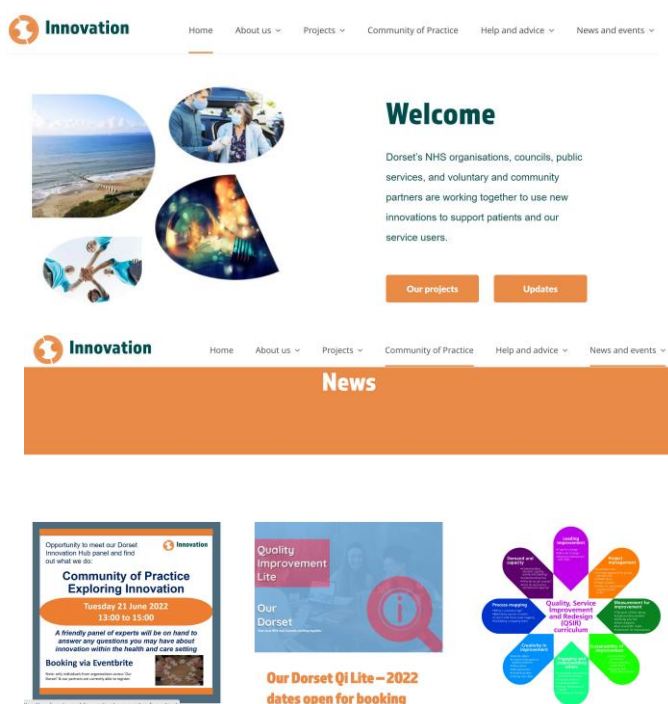
Dorset Innovation Hub Website

<https://ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/>

The DIH has an online platform, as part of the Our Dorset webpages, which is accessible to all.

This is a resource which is continually evolving and developing. On the website you will find information on:

- DIH partners
- DIH core team members
- DIH programme group members
- Training information
- Useful resources
- News and events



Med Tech Funding Mandate Policy

What is it and how does it support innovation adoption?

In April 2021 the [MedTech Funding Mandate \(MTFM\) policy](#) was launched to support adoption of MedTech and diagnostic technologies across the NHS. This fulfilled a commitment in the NHS Long Term Plan to support commissioners and healthcare providers to bring life-changing innovations to patients quicker and built on the previous Innovation Technology Tariff and Innovation Technology Payment initiatives.

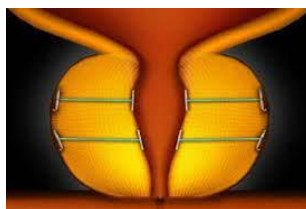
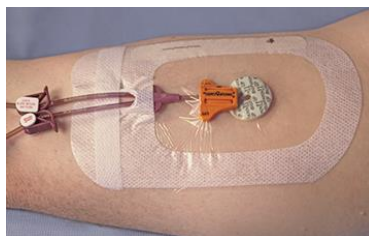
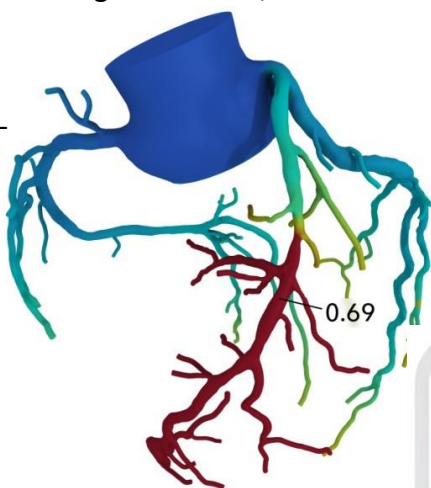
The selected technologies supported by the MTFM need to meet criteria of saving costs and resources, with the potential to make a return on investment within three years. Technologies covered by the MTFM policy are funded by commissioners from their existing allocations, with hospitals and commissioning organisations expected to comply with the policy guidance where appropriate.

The MTFM is now going into its second year. Technologies supported in 2021/22 have remained on the policy and have been joined by seven new technologies for 2022/23.

The technologies supported in 2021/22 were **Placental growth factor-based testing (PIGF)** – a blood test to rule out pre-eclampsia in pregnant women, **SecurAcath** – for securing percutaneous catheters, **HeartFlow**, which creates a 3D model of a patient’s coronary arteries and assesses the extent and location of blockages, and **gammaCore** – a handheld device which alleviates the symptoms of severe cluster headaches.

The second year’s mandate for 2022/23 includes four technologies involved in benign prostatic hyperplasia treatment, **UroLift**, **GreenLight XPS**, **Rezum** and the **PLASMA system**, and three for improving patient experience during procedures, the **XprESS** multi-sinus dilation system, the **Thopaz+** portable digital chest drain system, and the **Spectra Optia** Apheresis System, an apheresis and cell collection platform for the treatment of sickle cell disease.

The Dorset Innovation Hub has worked to implement 2021/22 technologies across relevant ICS organisations and is now engaging and working with relevant clinical and operational teams to consider and implement the new technologies included in the 2022/23 policy.



Twitter news

Sarah @ChesselSarah
 Thank u @FrancesAvis 4 your drive, passion & enthusiasm to ensure that patients & carers experience is at heart of delivering care in Dorset Pleasure working with you 😊 #makeadifference #dorsetinnovationhub #ThankYouDay
 🙌 continue "chain of thank yous" & make your nomination

Sarah @ChesselSarah
 Further to #DorsetInnovationHub Fundamentals of Innovation Adoption training (26/05), we've refreshed our FutureNHS Community of Practice workspace.
 Like to join? email dorsetinnovationhub@uhd.nhs.uk ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/ @DorsetCCG @Alanbetts5 #systemworking #lovingFutureNHS

Katherine May @KatherineMay626
 Reflecting on the Fundamentals of #Innovation training from #DorsetInnovationHub yesterday - thank you @ChesselSarah @SladenJoe @Robert_I_Hull for a great session, a lot to consider when approaching an innovation project & #Context #StakeholderEngagement and #Benefits are key!

Sarah @ChesselSarah
 Delighted to be part of todays @WessexAHSN #innovation insight, integration and delivery in Wessex visit by the IRLS team. Opportunity to showcase #dorsetinnovationhub and network with wider colleagues inc. Matt Whitty @AACinnovation and @Alanbetts5 @NicolaBentAHSN



Sarah @ChesselSarah
 Great to have the #DorsetInnovationHub team together for our first #development day and it was face-to-face 😊 Thank you to @WessexAHSN for hosting us for the day and to the amazing Christina Cornwell @Innovation_Unit for facilitating the session #teamwork #systemwideworking



How the DIH works as part of the Dorset ICS

DIH partners are across primary, community secondary and social care, academia, innovation, research, economy, and industry. Work is in progress to ensure inclusion of patient and public involvement and engagement.



Support for Innovators

How the Dorset Innovation Hub can help innovators

The DIH provides advice and hands-on support to adapt, adopt and sustain proven innovation and develop ideas into new services and products that will benefit the Dorset community. How this support may look will depend on the focus of the project.

Adopting Innovation Projects

For projects focused on the adaption, adoption and spread of proven innovation solutions into practice, the DIH work as part of the project team to facilitate the project's development and delivery. Facilitative support may include elements such as; development of a project team, stakeholder analysis, horizon scanning, communications, and benefits realisation analysis. Support is tailored to the needs of the individual project, and is subject to approval and agreement from the DIH programme group.

Inventive Innovation Projects

For projects focused on developing ideas into new products and services, provision of support will depend on who your employer is. As the DIH is hosted by University Hospitals Dorset (UHD), inventive innovation projects at UHD are supported directly by the DIH. This may include; developing a business case, advice on intellectual property, information on funding opportunities and commercialisation options. Outside of UHD, contact your employee organisation to investigate support available for inventive innovation project. If needed, the DIH can help to establish the most appropriate point of contact.

Contact details for the DIH are available on page 6.

Community of Practice

Dorset Innovation Hub is developing a Community of Practice (CoP) online platform for commissioners, clinicians, providers, operational staff, patients and service users to share knowledge and materials, and collaborate more effectively.

The CoP will enable people to have access to a range of best practice documents and guidance and to share your own knowledge and guidance.

The CoP will connect teams, organisations and other stakeholders across the health and social care system and aims to improve communication and knowledge sharing among NHS and other health and social care professionals.

Further information is available on Future NHS and from the Dorset Innovation Hub 'Our Dorset' website:

<https://ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/community-of-practice/>



Community of Practice Event

Exploring Innovation
Tuesday 21 June 2022
13:00 to 15:00 (Online)

Opportunity to meet our Dorset Innovation Hub panel and find out about what we do.

Join the Dorset Innovation Hub at this Community of Practice event to:

- Explore the term innovation
- Find out what support and resources are available for your innovation project
- Meet the innovation hub team

A friendly panel of experts will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about innovation within the health and care setting.

Booking via Eventbrite:



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Note: only individuals from organisations across 'Our Dorset' & our partners are currently able to register.

Contact details:

The Innovation Team provides innovators with advice and hands-on support to adapt, adopt and sustain proven innovation and develop ideas into new services and products that will benefit the Dorset ICS and wider NHS.

If you would have a project that you would like to discuss, or if there is anything in this newsletter that you would like further information on, please do contact us.



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<https://ourdorset.org.uk/innovation/>

