

Joint Health Scrutiny Glossary of Terms

Acronym	Meaning
AoMRC	Academy of Medical Royal Colleges
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder is a neurodevelopmental disorder that affects attention, behaviour, and impulsivity. Individuals with ADHD often have difficulty paying attention, staying organised, and controlling impulses.
ADSP	Advanced Data Science Platform
AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
Big Conversation	Is a public engagement initiative in Greater Manchester, aimed at shaping the future of health and care services in the region. It is a collaborative effort between the NHS, local councils, community groups, and residents to gather feedback and insights on how to improve the health and well-being of the population
BMI	Body mass index is a measure of body fat based on height and weight. It is calculated by dividing your weight in kilograms by the square of your height in meters.
ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder is a complex neurodevelopmental condition that affects a person's communication, behaviour, and social interaction. It is a spectrum disorder, meaning its symptoms can vary widely from person to person.

Cardiac and Arterial Vascular Surgery	A surgical specialty that focuses on treating conditions related to the heart, arteries, and veins. It involves surgical procedures to repair or replace damaged blood vessels and address heart problems.
Covid-19 Pandemic	(Coronavirus Disease 2019) is a contagious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. It first emerged in Wuhan, China, in late 2019 and quickly spread worldwide, leading to a global pandemic.
CQC	Quality Care Commission is an independent regulator of health and social care services in England. It is responsible for ensuring that these services are safe, effective, compassionate, and high quality.
GM	Greater Manchester
GM AHSN	Greater Manchester Academic Health and Science Network
CVD Prevention	Cardiovascular Disease Prevention
Dermatochalasis	A condition that affects the connective tissue under the skin of the palm and fingers, causing the fingers to bend towards the palm and making it difficult to straighten them completely. This condition is more common in adults, particularly in men over the age of 50, and tends to progress slowly over time.
Diabetes	Is a chronic condition that affects how your body processes glucose, a type of sugar.
Dupuytren's Contracture	is a condition that affects the connective tissue under the skin of the palm and fingers, causing the fingers to bend towards the palm and making it difficult to straighten them completely. This condition is more common in adults, particularly in men over the age of 50, and tends to progress slowly over time.

EBI	Evidence Based Interventions
EPaCCS	Electronic Palliative Care Coordinating System
Enforcement Undertakings	Are a formal agreement between NHS England and an NHS organisation, like the NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board (ICB), outlining specific actions the organisation must take to address identified failings or risks. It's a legal commitment to make improvements within a set timeframe.
Fast-Track Cities	Mayors and other elected leaders have joined forces with public health officials, clinical and service providers, and affected communities in 300+ cities and municipalities to action the Paris Declaration on Fast-Track Cities.
GMCA	Greater Manchester Combined Authority
Greater Manchester Care Record (GM Care Record)	A digital resource that consolidates health and care information from NHS and care services across all 10 boroughs of Greater Manchester. This unified record is designed to improve healthcare services and outcomes for the region's 2.8 million citizens.
GM ICP	Greater Manchester Integrated Care Partnership
GM IPC Strategy	Is a comprehensive plan outlining the vision and goals for improving health and care services in Greater Manchester. It sets out how the Greater Manchester Integrated Care Partnership intends to work together to address the health needs of the 2.8 million residents of the region.
HPV	Human papillomavirus
NIHR	The National Institute for Health and Care Research
HCV	Hepatitis C
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus

HIV Action Plan 2021	The UK Government released Towards Zero: the HIV Action Plan for England in 2021, setting out its priorities to end new HIV transmissions between 2022 and 2025. The plan came with £20 million of funding over three years (2022 to 2025) to expand HIV opt out testing in emergency departments.
Hyperhidrosis	A medical condition characterised by excessive sweating that goes beyond what's necessary for regulating body temperature.
ICB	Integrated Care Board
ICS	Integrated Care System
JHS	Joint Health Scrutiny
Labiaplasty	Labiaplasty is a surgical procedure to alter the size and/or shape of the labia, the folds of skin surrounding the vaginal opening.
Lived Experience	Refers to the personal experiences and perspectives of individuals who have directly encountered a particular situation or condition.
LGBTQ+	Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans, Queer, Questioning and Ace
LTC	Long Term Condition
MAHSC	Manchester Academic Health Science Centre
Mpox	Formerly known as monkeypox is a rare disease caused by infection with the Mpox virus.
NHSE	NHS England
NHS England Service Reconfiguration Gateway	Is a platform or process used by NHS England to manage and oversee changes to healthcare services within the NHS in England. Its purpose is to ensure that any proposed changes to services are aligned with the NHS's strategic objectives, are evidence-based, and will improve the quality and efficiency of care.

NICE	The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) is an independent organisation in the United Kingdom that provides evidence-based guidance and advice on health and social care.
NDG	Non-demographic growth refers to increases in healthcare spending that are not directly attributable to changes in population size or age structure. It essentially captures the factors beyond basic population growth that drive healthcare costs up.
O&S	Overview & Scrutiny
Orthoses	Are externally applied devices designed to support, align, prevent, or correct deformities or to improve the function of movable parts of the body
Pinnaplasty	Pinnaplasty, also known as otoplasty, is a surgical procedure to reshape or reposition the ears.
PISA	Programme for International Student Assessment
PLCV	Procedures of Limited Clinical Value are medical treatments or procedures that have been identified as having little or no proven benefit for patients, or where the risks may outweigh the benefits.
Rhinoplasty	A medical procedure that involves surgically altering the shape of the nose.
SNM	Sacroneuromodulation is a medical procedure that involves implanting a device to stimulate the sacral nerves, which are located near the tailbone. These nerves control the bladder, bowel, and pelvic floor muscles.
Safety Medication Dashboard (SMASH)	an innovative IT system designed to enhance medication safety in primary care settings. Developed by the University of Manchester, SMASH aims to prevent hazardous prescribing.

Septoplasty	A surgical procedure to correct a deviated septum, which is the wall of cartilage and bone that divides your nostrils.
Single Improvement Plan	The NHS GM Single Improvement Plan is a comprehensive strategy developed by the NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board (ICB) to address various challenges and improve healthcare services across Greater Manchester.
Secretary of State for Health and Care	Is responsible for the work of the Department of Health and Social Care, including: overall financial control and oversight of NHS delivery and performance. oversight of social care policy.
SDE	Secure Data Environment
STIs	Sexually Transmitted Infections
Specialist Weight Management Service	A healthcare program designed to provide comprehensive support for individuals looking to lose weight and improve their overall health.
TES	Trophic Electrical Simulation
TPC	A trust provider collaborative is a group of NHS trusts (that provide healthcare services like hospitals and mental health services) that have joined together to work at a larger scale.
PES	Both ultrasound and pulsed electromagnetic field (PEMF) therapies are non-invasive treatments used to promote healing and reduce pain. They work by stimulating the body's natural repair processes at a cellular level.
UNAIDS	A high-profile, high-level political advocacy drive to accelerate actions and investments to prevent HIV.
VCFSE	The voluntary, community, faith, and social enterprise sector