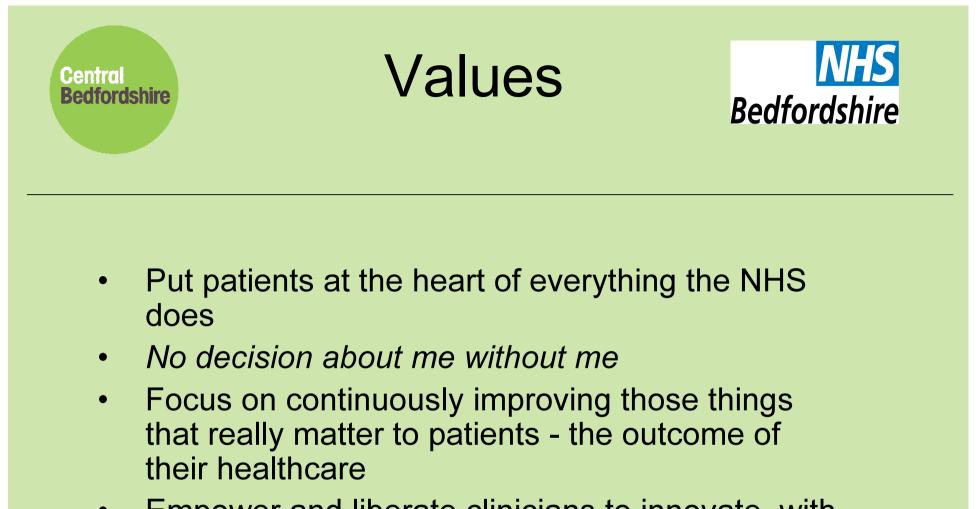




Equity & excellence: *Liberating the NHS*



 Empower and liberate clinicians to innovate, with the freedom to focus on improving healthcare services

Key proposals in the White Paper



- Transferring of commissioning to GP consortia across England
- Independent national NHS Commissioning Board to oversee GP Commissioning
- Transferring a ring fenced public health budget to local authorities
- A move towards clinically credible and evidence-based outcome measures, not process targets
- Giving councils the responsibility to promote integration and partnership working.
- Local authority led statutory health and well being boards to be established
- Establishment of HealthWatch



Local Democratic Legitimacy in Health



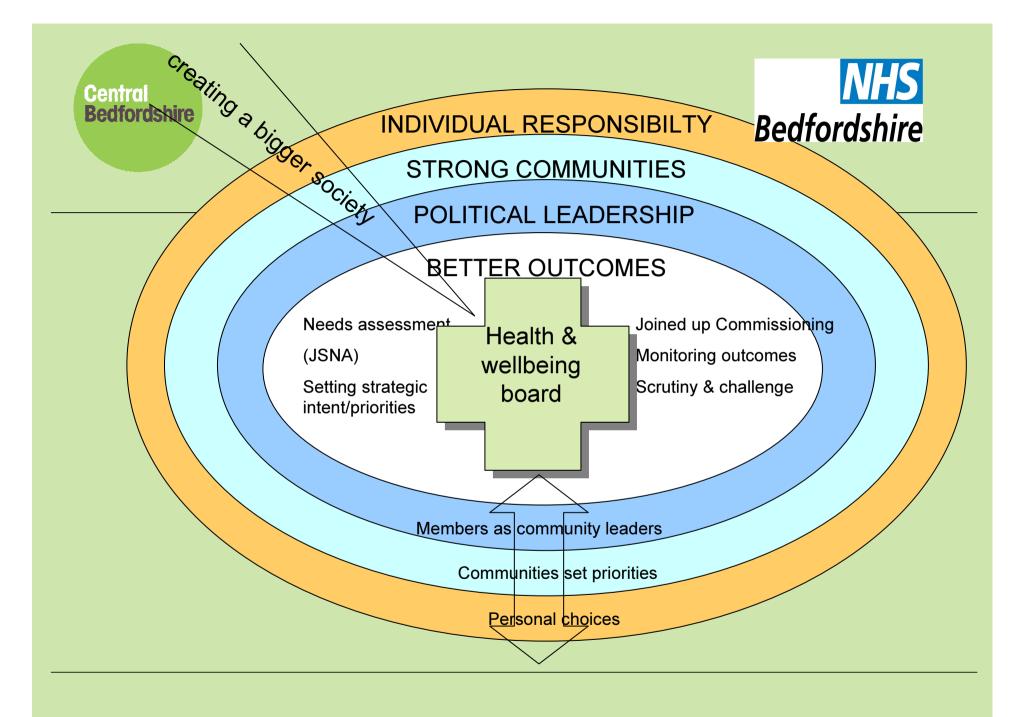
- Enhanced role for local government
- Leading on Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to ensure coherent and coordinated commissioning strategies
- Supporting local voice and the exercise of patient choice
- Promoting joined up commissioning of local NHS services, social care and health improvement
- Leading on local health improvement and prevention activity from 2013

Health and Wellbeing Boards



- The means of local democratic accountability with elected members
- Assess needs of local population through the JSNA
- Promote integration and partnership
- Scrutiny role in relation to major service redesign
- Ensure joined up commissioning plans across NHS, Social Care and Public Health





Timelines



The proposed implementation timetable is:

- In 2010/11: GP consortia to begin to come together in shadow form
- In 2011/12: a comprehensive system of shadow GP consortia and the Public Health Service in place, the NHS Commissioning Board to be established in shadow form.
- In 2012/13: formal establishment of GP consortia, together with indicative allocations and responsibility to prepare commissioning plans, and the NHS Commissioning Board to be established as an independent statutory body.
- In 2013/14: GP consortia to be fully operational, with real budgets and holding contracts with providers



Healthy lives, health people: Our strategy for public health Bedfordshire in England

The public health White Paper outlines the government's commitment to:

- Protecting the population from serious health threats
- Helping people live longer, healthier and more fulfilling lives
- Improving the health of the poorest, fastest

Background



- Britain has amongst the worst levels of obesity in the world
- Smoking claims over 80,000 lives a year
- 1.6 million people are dependent on alcohol
- Over half a million new sexually transmitted infections were diagnosed last year, and one in ten people getting an infection will be re-infected within a year
- Poor mental health is estimated to be responsible for nearly a quarter of the overall burden of long-standing poor health
- People in the poorest areas expect to live up to 7 years less than people in richer areas

Key Recommendations Bedfordshire

• A new integrated public health service

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- Directors of Public Health will be the strategic leaders for public health and health inequalities in local communities, working in partnership with the local NHS, local authorities and across the public, private and voluntary sectors
- Ring-fenced public health funding
- Public health will be part of the NHS Commissioning Boards (NHSCB) mandate, with public health support for NHS commissioning nationally and locally