Developing the London Health Inequalities Strategy

August 2017



Why do we need a new health inequalities strategy?

National health policy change

Health & Social Care Act 2012 reforming the health and public health system

NHS Five Year Forward View establishing a vision for prevention

Introduction of Sustainability and Transformation Plans and placebased planning London health policy change

London Health and Social Care devolution

New policy commitments from a new Mayor of London

Better Health for London ten shared ambitions Social and economic change

Population growth, and demographic change with more diversity and a younger population

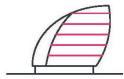
Rising poverty, much driven by housing costs

Changing working patterns and the growth of the gig economy

What is the Mayor's role in health inequalities?

ENSURING ALL THE MAYOR'S WORK CONTRIBUTES

- Environment
- Planning
- Housing
- Transport
- Economic development
- · Culture
- · Policing



CHAMPIONING WORK FROM ACROSS LONDON

- Speaking out about health inequalities
- Challenging and championing the health sector to reduce inequalities
- Generating consensus from others as chair of the London Health Board



DIRECTING SUPPORT FROM CITY HALL

- Delivering City Hall's health programmes
- Consulting and engaging Londoners
- Reporting on actions and outcomes



NOT: setting health policy or commissioning health or public health services

London Health Inequalities Strategy DRAFT aims



AIM 1, healthy children: every London child has a healthy start in life

Draft objectives:

- London's babies have the best start to their life.
- Early years settings and schools support children and young people's health and wellbeing.

Key Mayoral ambition

 Launching a new health programme to support London's early years settings, ensuring London's children have healthy places in which to learn, play and develop.



AIM 2, healthy minds: all Londoners share in a city with the best mental health in the world

Draft objectives:

- Mental health becomes everybody's business across London.
- The stigma associated with mental ill-health is reduced, and awareness and understanding about mental health increases.
- London's workplaces are mentally healthy.
- Londoners can talk about suicide and find out where they can get help.



Key Mayoral ambition

 To inspire more Londoners to have mental health first aid training, and more London employers to support it.

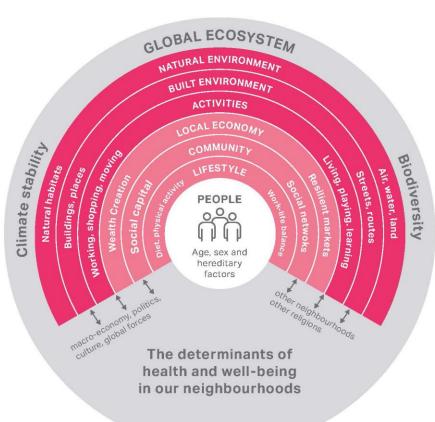
AIM 3, healthy place: all Londoners benefit from a society, environment and economy that promotes good mental and physical health

Draft objectives

- Improve London's air quality
- Promote good planning and healthier streets
- Improve access to green space and make London greener
- Address poverty & income inequality
- More Londoners supported into healthy, well paid and secure jobs
- Housing quality & affordability improves
- Homelessness and rough sleeping is addressed

Key Mayoral ambition

 To work towards London having the best air quality of any major global city



AIM 4, healthy communities: London's diverse communities are healthy and thriving

Draft objectives:

- It is easy for all Londoners to participate in community life
- All Londoners have skills, knowledge and confidence to improve health
- Health is improved through a community and place-based approach
- Social prescribing becomes a routine part of community support across London
- Individuals and communities supported to prevent HIV and reduce the stigma surrounding it
- TB cases among London's most vulnerable people are reduced
- London's communities feel safe and are united against hatred.



Key Mayoral ambition

 To support the most disadvantaged Londoners to benefit from social prescribing to improve their health and wellbeing

AIM 5, healthy habits: the healthy choice is the easy choice for all Londoners

Draft objectives:

- Childhood obesity falls and the gap between the boroughs with the highest and lowest rates of child obesity reduces
- Smoking, alcohol and substance misuse are reduced among all Londoners, especially young people

Key Mayoral ambition

 To work with partners towards a reduction in childhood obesity rates.



Reducing Health Inequalities in London needs a partnership effort

Therefore

- We have planned multiple & cross cutting discussions to take place across the London system during Sept - Nov to stimulate system commitment to action
- We want to work with partners to co-produce and work collectively with business, public sector and civil society partners to work on ideas/proposals to implement in the short to medium-term
- We are collectively developing a set of indicators that will help us measure our impact
- We want to stimulate action (pledges) and propose to capture these on a London pledge board available in late Autumn
- Our activity and progress will be steered by the revised London Prevention Board with its broad membership stimulating city-wide action
- We have a vision to add & grow city-wide commitment to reducing health inequalities & celebrate success throughout 2018 & beyond

How to get involved?

To find out about or respond to the consultation online go to:

https://www.london.gov.uk/healthstrategy

If you're an individual, you can also respond via Talk London and a YouGov public poll:

https://www.london.gov.uk/talklondon/healthstrategy

To attend a meeting, email: healthinequalities@london.gov.uk and mark your email 'Meetings'. We will be offering some Drop-In sessions. To be confirmed by end of Aug and will be published on GLA website

Consultation Questions

- Are the ambitions right?
- Is there more that the Mayor can do to reduce health inequalities in London?
- What can we do together that would reduce health inequalities in London?
- What support would you need to do this?

23rd Aug 2017

Consultation launched

Sept 2017

 System pledge online portal live

30th Nov 2017

Consultation closes

May 2018

Final strategy available