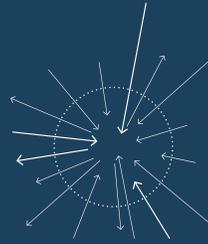


**Health
Innovation
Network**



**Accelerated
Access
Collaborative**



**Office for
Life Sciences**



Supporting innovators





The local health innovation networks work with health and care businesses and individual innovators to help realise the potential of their ideas.

There are 15 local health innovation networks (formerly Academic Health Science Networks) across England. Their unique role is to bring the NHS, care, research and industry together, so that more people can benefit from the very best innovative solutions, and to create economic growth.

The Health Innovation Network (HIN), which is the collective voice of the 15 local health innovation networks, exists to transform the way the NHS identifies, adopts, and spreads innovation.

We operate simultaneously as a single national network, and as 15 locally embedded and integrated organisations with strong partnerships at place and Integrated Care System (ICS) level.

We support the rapid 'importing and exporting' of innovations, and have created a national pipeline of more than 1,512 proven technologies that can be matched to local health and care needs.

The local health innovation networks are commissioned by NHS England, and the Government's Office for Life Sciences. The Health Innovation Network is also a partner in the NHS Accelerated Access Collaborative, which involves key organisations working together to streamline the adoption of new innovations in healthcare.

In 2022/23, we have achieved the following impact:



5,488

interactions with
companies



1,512

innovations in
our national pipeline
of innovation

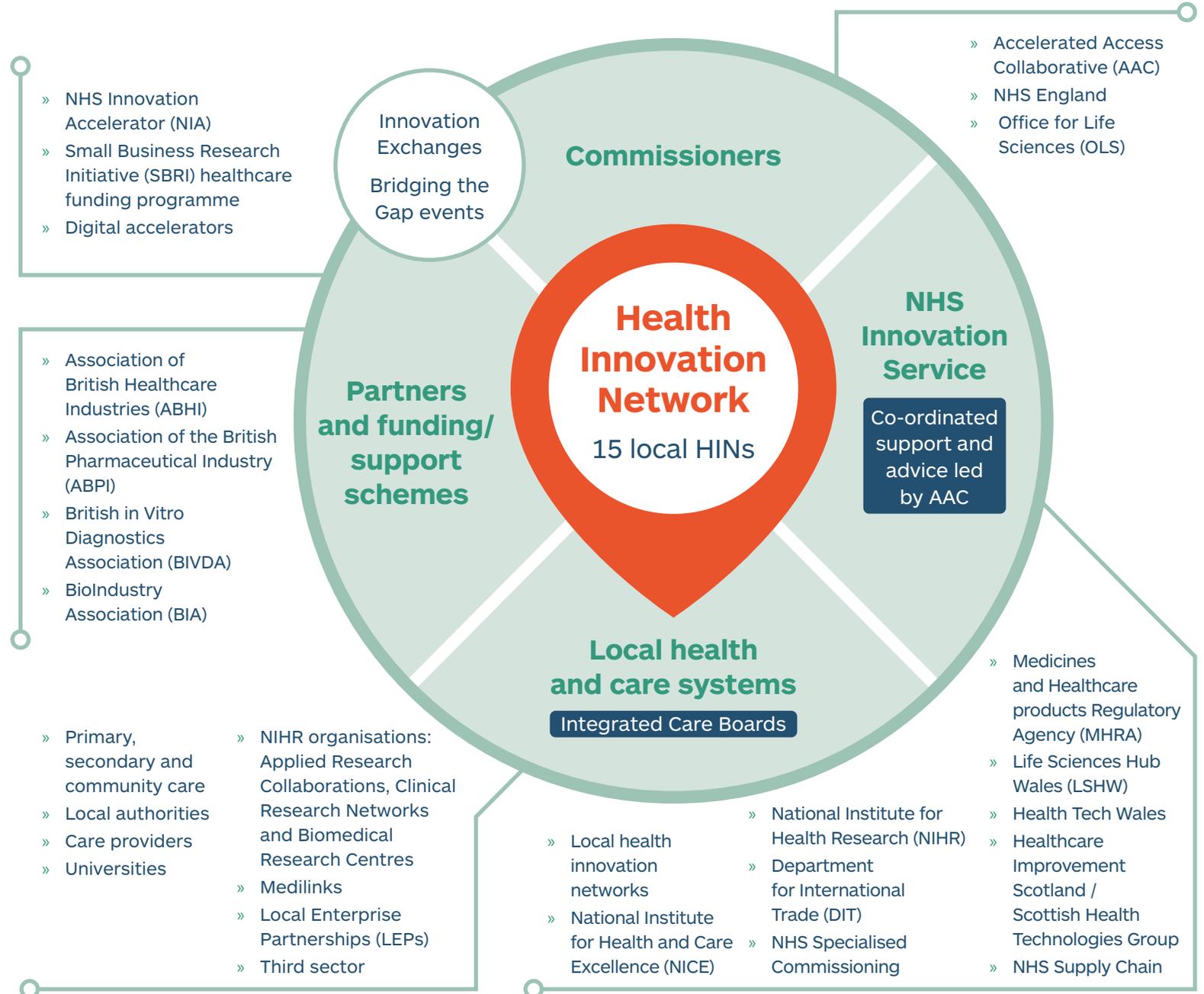


£428m

investment leveraged
by companies
supported by HINs

A connected 'network of networks' providing:

- Support to innovators
- Help to navigate the NHS
- Signposting to resources
- Market access studies and research
- Developing a value proposition
- Evaluating real-world impact
- Health economic reports / business cases
- Implementation support and advice for adopting organisations
- Grant funding opportunities
- Product development



How we support innovators



- ✓ Identify and respond to local health needs and challenges
- ✓ Match health and care partners with industry and third sector innovators
- ✓ Connect health needs with potential solutions
- ✓ Recommend products with most potential for national impact

Local health innovation networks provide a wide range of support to innovators. The type and level of support depends largely on the needs and development stage of the specific innovation.

For example, in the case of early-stage innovator support this may include advice and guidance on gaps in an innovator’s value proposition, gaps in their evidence base, and potentially helping to develop a proof-of-concept prototype. Much of the early work we do with innovators is around helping them to understand the complexities of the health and care sectors.

For more advanced, pre-commercial innovations, our support can extend to supporting with the development of a value proposition, health economics support, impact modelling, and brokering connections with health and care experts.

For market-ready innovations, local health innovation networks can support with business case development, real-world evaluations, roll-out and adoption.

Distinctive

A unique offer provided depending on resource availability

Enhanced

14 services available to selected innovators where the solution meets a local priority or unmet need

Transition to Enhanced Offer guided by meeting the Health Innovation Network threshold, for example is there a local demand or does it meet a priority of the HIN

Universal

4 core services available to all innovators at no cost – UK and International

An overview of the Health Innovation Network ‘innovator offer’

Universal

- Review and respond
- Assess and triage
- Advise, guide and signpost
- Develop health and care understanding

Enhanced

- Broker connections to NHS and social care organisations
- Support to develop value proposition
- Support for qualitative market research
- Budget impact and benefits modelling advice
- Assess gaps in evidence and insights
- Evaluation advice
- Health economics advice
- Research and evaluation planning
- Broker evidence gathering
- Support to apply for funding
- Research and evaluation support
- Health economics support
- Business case development advice and guidance
- Provide showcase opportunities

Distinctive

- Critical appraisal and evidence synthesis
- Support for quantitative market research
- Marketing, communications and stakeholder engagement
- Intellectual property advice
- Market access launch planning
- Product development support
- Other distinctive offers unique to individual local health innovation networks

NHS Innovation Service

The NHS Innovation Service is led by the Accelerated Access Collaborative and has been developed to accelerate the spread of promising and impactful innovations into the NHS.

It is an online service for health innovators, to support them to get their products, services or ideas adopted in the NHS, and in turn provide innovative solutions to NHS challenges.

The service will provide tailored and co-ordinated support or advice, for 'adoption-ready' innovations.

Innovators using the service may receive co-ordinated and bespoke support from all 15 local health innovation networks and nine national support organisations including NICE, MHRA, NIHR and NHS Supply Chain. The service will help innovators to understand the regulations and standards they need to meet, the evidence they should demonstrate, and the NHS procurement and reimbursement processes.

[Register here](#)

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How do HINs help companies sustain economic growth?



We help companies and entrepreneurs realise the value of their ideas - to explore how we may could help you, [visit our website](#).

"We have had excellent support from multiple health innovation networks. One developed a business case for us to go to every care home in Cheshire and Mersey, another put us through a process to prove the value of the innovation, then they helped us with adoption and scaling and pitching to Integrated Care Systems. I'd go so far as to say my business wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the Health Innovation Network."

Lee Omar, Founder of Safe Steps

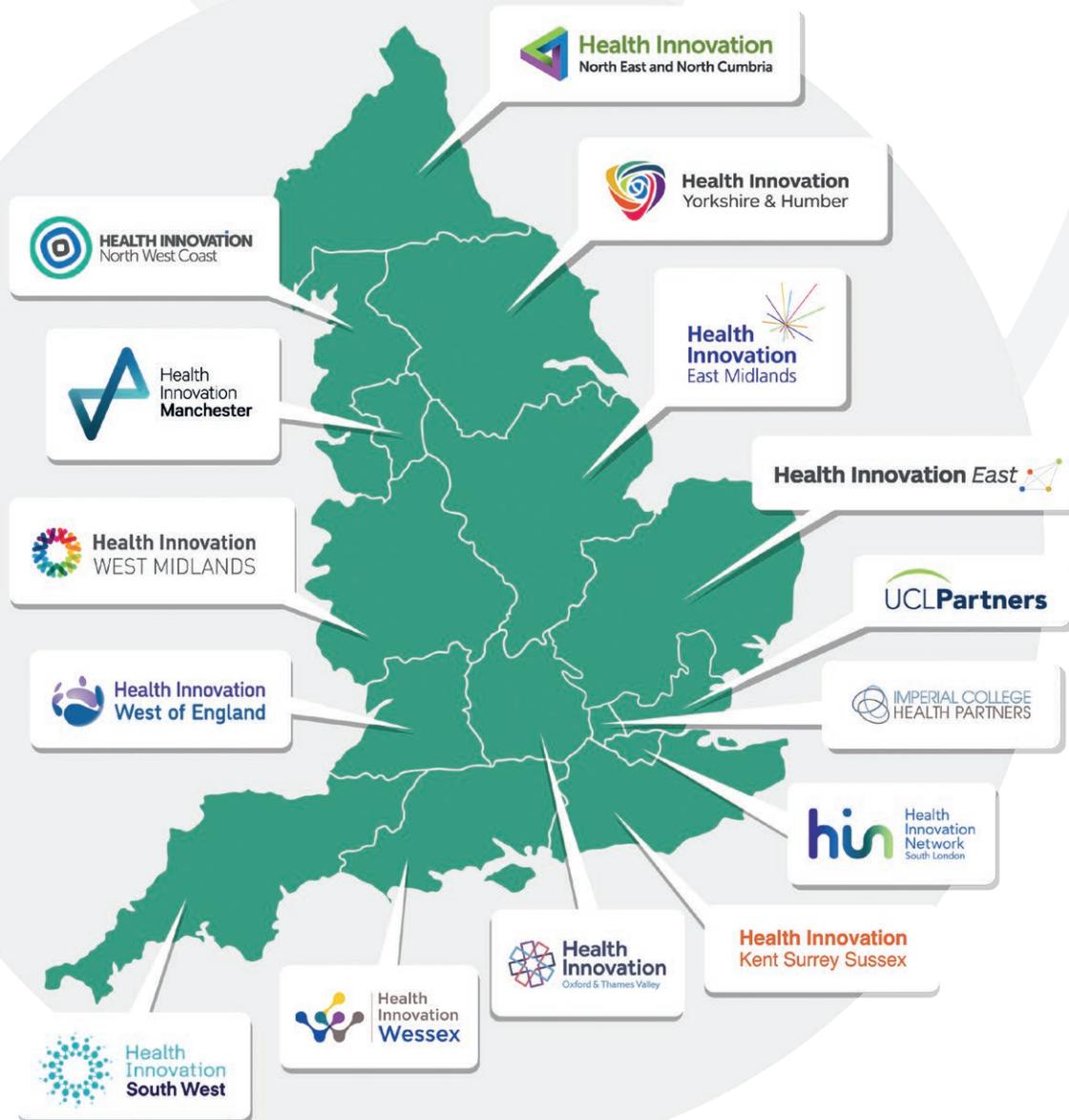
Matching innovation with system needs

The current priority areas for HIN supported innovation, aligned with the NHS Long Term Plan priorities, are:

- Cardiovascular disease
- Respiratory disease
- Mental health
- Maternal and neonatal health

These are underpinned by cross-cutting themes including:

tackling health inequalities, helping the NHS achieve net zero, digital technologies, and innovations to support the workforce.



Find out more

For a conversation about your innovation, contact your local health innovation network. Find the details at:

thehealthinnovationnetwork.co.uk/contact-us

Additionally

We also support the [NHS Innovation Accelerator](#), which supports 'fellows' with development and bespoke support and the [SBRI \(Small Business Research Initiative\) Healthcare](#) funding programme for health and care innovators and SMEs.

Hear from other innovators on our [Health Innovation Podcast](#).

To keep up our support and offers, sign up for the [Health Innovation Network newsletter](#).