

Local evaluation of the new care models – the Vanguard

A joint offer from SQW and the Social Care Institute for Excellence

Health and social care services are currently facing a perfect storm in terms of increasing demand, reducing funding, and rising expectations. Local areas therefore face the challenge of how to effectively transform their services to better meet the growing needs of their local population, in combination with moving away from the provision of unnecessary high cost, and often inappropriate institutional care. Vanguard sites are a timely and key development in this regard. They provide a valuable test-bed to understand how new approaches can address this challenge and the resultant impact on local resources and people. **SQW and the Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) have come together to provide Vanguard sites with expert evaluation support. Our focus will be to help build an understanding of what works, why and to what effect across the new models of care.**

Our joint offer to support local evaluation and development



Process what works and doesn't work, how and why

Impact outputs, outcomes and impacts that have been achieved

Economics efficiency and value for money implications



SQW and SCIE are able to offer a wide complement of experience and skills to support the Vanguard sites to undertake timely and dynamic local evaluation. This includes: **wide-ranging health and social care expertise; extensive experience of designing and conducting complex and multi-faceted evaluations relating to the integration** of traditionally distinct parts of the health service, social care and wider community based support; **service-user and carer engagement specialists**, including co-production expertise; and **extensive experience of developing pragmatic and actionable learning.**

An introduction to SQW

SQW is a leading independent provider of research, analysis and advice in economic and social development. Established in 1983, and operating across the UK, Europe and internationally, SQW work for clients from the public, private and not-for-profit sectors. We have over **forty members of staff** and work with clients to research, develop, implement and evaluate social and economic development interventions across a wide range of policy domains. This includes **specific health and social care expertise and experience of evaluating new models and ways of working in the health and social care sector and more widely.**

SQW has extensive experience of undertaking complex research projects involving multiple strands of primary and secondary research and multiple types of analysis. We have experience of working with a range of different stakeholder groups and research participants including a variety of clinical and non-clinical staff from both the health and social care sectors, vulnerable adults, general practice patients, and families with children with complex needs. Our recent project-related experience includes:

- The **Evaluation of the Prime Minister's Challenge Fund / GP Access Fund Waves One and Two for NHS England.**
- The **Evaluation of the Special Educational Needs & Disability Pathfinders for the Departments for Education and Health**, which aimed to better integrate working across health, social care and SEN.
- The **Evaluation of the Common Assessment Framework for Adults Demonstrator programme for the Department of Health.**

An introduction to SCIE

SCIE is the leading social care improvement organisation and charity in the UK. SCIE provides evidence and practical support in the sector, and **places emphasis on coproduction and service user engagement.** We **work across health and social care to improve outcomes for people who use services**, for instance, advising numerous health economies on integration and transformation.

SCIE has a strong understanding of what works and have deep expertise in multi-method policy and programme evaluations; literature reviews, best practice searches, stakeholder interviews, facilitation of workshops and co-production with service users and carers. Our recent project experience includes:

- Working on two consecutive **national Better Care Fund support programmes**, in partnership with PPL and with KPMG.
- Delivering a **practical project on co-production and New Models of Care** for the Health Foundation.
- **Supporting health and care transformation in the City of York and sub region.**
- **Ongoing work with many local authorities and CCGs going through major change programmes**, including the Isle of Wight whole systems reconfiguration.
- **Development of a model on behalf of NHS England on reducing delayed transfers of care.**

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