

The Efficiency Research Advisory Group

In 2014 the Health Foundation launched a new biennial Efficiency Research Programme. This Programme supports original research on system efficiency and value for money in health and social care.

Our ambition is to generate new knowledge that provides an increased understanding of the likely impact of health care policy and process changes on costs, capacity, value and productivity, and to increase the practical understanding of how to better implement, spread and scale-up value-generating programmes, within a UK context.

The seven research projects being supported in through the first and second round of this Programme are:

- Institute for Fiscal Studies: [Improving the allocative efficiency of health and social care spending on older people in England](#)
- Frontier Economics: [Impact of GP characteristics on unscheduled secondary care admissions.](#)
- Imperial Business School Imperial College London: [Network and competition effects in the diffusion of innovation in the NHS.](#)
- London School of Economics and Political Science: [Health care technology diffusion in the NHS and workforce impact.](#)
- University of York: [Efficiency, cost and quality of mental healthcare provision](#)
- University College London: [WORKTECC: Workforce Operations that Realise Knowledge-based Transformational Efficiency gains in Community Care](#)
- Imperial College London: [Allocative efficiency in end-of-life care](#)

The Health Foundation has created an Advisory Group chaired by Professor Peter Smith, Emeritus Professor of Health Policy at Imperial College, to help provide stewardship of the Programme and provide expert input and guidance to support the individual project teams.

The group members are as follows:

- Loraine Hawkins, Chief Analyst, NHS England
- Richard Murray, Director of Policy, The King's Fund
- Dr Ellen Nolte, Visiting Senior Fellow, London School of Economics
- Professor James Malcomson, Professor of Economics, University of Oxford
- Eileen Robertson, Head of Analytical Insight Resource Unit, NHS England
- Chris Walters, Chief Economist at NHS Improvement

The Advisory Group meets twice a year in November and May; the first meeting was on the 23 November 2015.

For more information regarding the Advisory Group please contact [Ruth McConkey](#).