

HACA Programme 3-4 December 2025

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Day 1

09:30	09:45		Opening session: Peter Spilsbury, Director (Strategy Unit)		
09:45	10:15		Keynote 1: Sally Gainsbury, Senior Policy Analyst (Nuffield Trust)		
10:15	10:45		Keynote 2: Penny Dash, Chair (NHS England)		
10:45	11:00	A model is for life, not just for Christmas: The power of multidisciplinary working in a business critical model rollout Karen Bradley, Principal Consultant (Strategy Unit)	Semi-automated REDCap-R reporting workflow to support scotland's MAT standards Manqiu Xiong, Information Analyst (NHS Lothian)	Developing the triple threat analyst Isabelle Weeks, Public Health Intelligence Analyst (L7 Apprentice) (LKIS East of England)	
11:00	11:20	Morning break			
11:20	11:35	Quantifying categories of potentially mitigable hospital activity to support healthcare planning Sarah Lucas, Healthcare Analyst (Strategy Unit)	Evaluating the impact of Right Care, Right Person Stephen Parsons, Advanced Analyst & Researcher (Suffolk Office of Data & Analytics)	WIDAC 2025: empowering women, strengthening the analytics profession Louise Killen, Analytics Manager (Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)	Analysts with impact: Raising the analyst voice Marc Farr, Chief Analytical Officer (East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust)
11:35	12:00	Emergency department attendances: Intersectionality, demography and patient complexity Ruw Abeyratne, Director of Health Equality and Inclusion (University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust)	Severe multiple disadvantage: Finding patients without burdening clinicians Lori Edwards Suarez, Principal Mental Health Transformation Analyst (Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS FT)	Breaking free from templates: Why analysts should trust themselves with custom CSS in Shiny Apps. Sam Finnegan, Senior Data and Research Analyst (Cancer Research UK)	Analysts with impact: Raising the analyst voice Marc Farr, Chief Analytical Officer (East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust)
12:00	12:25	Data-driven winter support for older people across an ICS Rob Dabbs, Deputy Head of Analytics (Dorset Intelligence and Insight Service)	Building and implementing a patient non-attendance prediction system using commonly available data Fabian Beigang, Data Scientist / Information Specialist (Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)	Enhancing advanced analytics and leadership skills Keiko Toma, Head of Analysis (NHS England)	Putting stakeholders at the heart of impact evaluation Mike Woodall, Head of Impact Evaluation (Strategy Unit)
12:25	12:40	Evaluation planning and implementation: Adapting analytical approaches for complex health problems and interventions Lamiya Samad, Senior Evaluation Analyst (Suffolk and North East Essex ICS)	DES-igning better flow: Modelling non-elective admissions Helena Robinson, Senior Analyst / Data Scientist (Countess of Chester Hospital NHS FT)	Estimating MMR vaccine uptake in Birmingham and Solihull: Challenges and solutions Evelyn Greeves, Analysis and Data Visualisation Officer (Birmingham City Council)	Putting stakeholders at the heart of impact evaluation Mike Woodall, Head of Impact Evaluation (Strategy Unit)

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12:40	13:30		Lunch			
13:30	14:00		Keynote 3: Jess Morley, Health Data Academic (Yale Digital Ethics Center)			
14:00	14:30		Keynote 4: The curse of data driven decision making: Matt Hennessey, Chief Intelligence and Analytics Officer (NHS Greater Manchester)			
14:30	14:45		Transforming urgent and emergency care with real-time intelligence in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Craig Kynaston, Head of Business Intelligence and Analytics (Shropshire Telford and Wrekin ICB)	Using linked NHS datasets to rapidly generate insights into suicide deaths and prevention opportunities Daniel Slater, Analyst and Data Visualisation Officer (Birmingham City Council)	Evaluating intelligence Natalie Cantillon, Associate Director (Department for Health and Social Care)	Posters
14:45	15:00	Day 1 - panel discussion - details coming soon	Making easy the default: Driving digital uptake in NHS 111 dental and prescription pathways using Behaviour Change Theory Efejiro Ashano, Senior Data Analyst (Guys and St. Thomas NHS)	From data to dialogue: A mixed-methods analysis to target NHS health check investment and reduce health inequalities in Birmingham DR Muhammad Hossain, Lecturer in Public Health (Birmingham City University)		
15:00	15:25		Direct and indirect impacts of industrial action on emergency department attendances in England, 2022-2024: A causal mediation analysis with 20 hospitals Steven Wyatt, Head of Research & Policy (Strategy Unit)	Data for everyone's health: Harnessing the Public Health Intelligence profession to improve health and reduce inequalities across the UK Neil Bendel, Public Health Specialist (Health Intelligence) (Manchester City Council)		
15:25	15:45		Afternoon break			
15:45	16:00		Site-level Covid-19 vaccine demand forecasting: Efficiency across NHS vaccination sites Liliana Valles, Senior Data Science Manager (NHS England)	Social return on investment - highlighting the value of PH interventions Martin Jennings, Performance & Insight programme Lead (Manchester City Council)	Quarto for managers: Smarter automated reporting Rhian Davies, Data Scientist (Strategy Unit)	Posters
16:00	16:15	Day 1 - interview - details coming soon	Virtual fracture clinic improves boast compliance, patient outcomes, and delivers cost savings in lower socio-economic areas Rania Khan, Foundation Year 2 Doctor (NHS England)	Developing a sustainability dashboard to drive data-driven action towards net zero Megan Richold, Senior Sustainability Officer (Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust)		

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16:15	16:30		The GP resilience matrix: A strategic tool for targeted primary care support Ritesh Raj, Population Health & Strategy Lead Analyst (NHS Kent and Medway ICB)	Segmenting the Suffolk and North East Essex population to support strategic commissioning Joseph Lillington, Lead Data Analyst - PHM (NHS Suffolk and North East Essex ICB)	
16:30	16:50	SafeNow: Using data to rapidly promote change and safety Stephen Spreadborough, Lead Data Scientist (Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)	Modelling renal care from progression to diagnosis Lucy Morgan, Analytics Manager (Simulation) (Strategy Unit)	Care Data Spaces Matt Bennett, Professor of Social Policy (University of Birmingham)	
16:50	17:00	Closing session: Chris Beeley, Head of Data Science (Strategy Unit)			
17:00	18:00	Networking			

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Day 2

09:30	09:40	Day 2 Opening session: Chris Beeley, Head of Data Science (Strategy Unit)				
09:40	10:10	Keynote 1: Steven Wyatt, Head of Research and Policy (Strategy Unit)				
10:10	10:40	Keynote 2: Minal Bakhai , National Director Primary Care Transformation (NHS England)				
10:40	10:55	Modelling characteristics associated with the risk of a poor patient outcomes 90 days after discharge Ewan Evans, Graduate Data Scientist (Department for Health and Social Care)	The Woodyard Model: Reducing waste and delivering impact Shevon Licorish, Head of Data Visualisation (NHS Kent and Medway ICB)	Is AI ready to transform evidence reviews in the NHS?? Oliver Carey, Data Scientist/Econometrician (Health Economics Unit)		Posters
10:55	11:15	Morning break				
11:15	11:30	Better Together: Supporting analysts and managers with RAP Rhian Davies, Data Scientist (Strategy Unit)	NHS Theatre Tariffs for lower limb surgery: An unbalanced system? Canan Metin, Senior House Officer (Royal Free Hospital NHS Foundation Trust)	Making national cancer audit reporting shiny: A journey from Excel to web-based apps using r and reproducible analytical pipelines Ella Barber, Data Scientist (National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre)	A PowerBI template changed my life Helena Robinson, Senior Analyst / Data Scientist (Countess of Chester Hospital NHS FT)	
11:30	11:55	Day 2 - panel discussion 1 - details coming soon	Actionable insights to reduce delayed discharge in day surgery wards: The power of linked data and clinical-analytical collaborations Nora Villamil Buenrostro, Senior Information Analyst/Statistician (NHS Scotland)	National Competency Framework for Data Professionals: Version 3 Andrew Lavelle, Senior Manager Analytical Professionalisation (NHS England)	The challenge of the shift from acute to community: Tools and models to support strategic	Posters
11:55	12:20		Delay-related harm: Direct and indirect impacts of boarding medical patients in the emergency department on the urgent and emergency care pathway Nick Howlett, Senior Data Scientist (NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB)	Not normal:Extending synthetic difference-in-differences to non-gaussian outcomes Andre Bilbrough, Healthcare Analyst (Strategy Unit)		

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12:35	13:20		Lunch			
13:20	13:50		Keynote 3: Beyond the dashboard: From data to influence - turning numbers into change: Sam Riley, Director of Making Data Count (NHS England)			
13:50	14:20		Keynote 4: Alastair McAlpine, Chief Statistician (The Scottish Government)			
14:20	14:35	Day 2 - panel discussion 2 <i>- details coming soon</i>	Understanding NHS waiting lists: Insights from the Networked Data Lab in North West London Marcus Yarwood, Senior Quantitative Insights Manager (Imperial College Health Partners)	Outpatient DNA risk prediction: Improving efficiency and patient access Prajwal Premkumar Khairnar, Senior Data Scientist (Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust)	An introduction to simulation: The tool that will power up your strategic decision making Lucy Morgan, Analytics Manager (Simulation) (Strategy Unit)	Posters
14:35	15:00		Tabulating the National Waiting List Neil Walton, Professor (Durham University)	Multidisciplinary analytical pipelines: Productionising a business critical simulation model Chris Beeley, Head of Data Science (Strategy Unit)		
15:00	15:15		Evolving a national diabetes learning health system: Lessons from trials embedded within a national audit Michael Sykes, Vice-Chancellor's Fellow & National Audit Improvement Lead (Northumbria University & National Diabetes Audit)	Assessing health inequalities for wait times to discharge in A&E at two hospital trusts in the West Midlands Karla Bailey, Senior Population Health Intelligence Specialist (The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust)		
15:15	15:35		Afternoon break			

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15:50	16:05		Predicting the demand for care homes with service user journeys Adshayan Saravanamuthu, Research Analyst (Brent Council)	Do cardiac devices last as long as we think? Using national audit data to investigate cardiac device longevity Oliver Carey, Data Scientist/Econometrician (Health Economics Unit)			
16:05	16:20		Turning insight into action: Using data to improve asthma outcomes in Dorset Chloe Grier, Deputy Head of System Analytics (Dorset Intelligence and Insight Service)	Calculating the cost of end-of-life care in the UK Gayathri Kumar, Lead Health Economist (Health Economics Unit)			
16:20	16:40		Design a model for community pharmacy workforce with open source data Chaeyoon Kim, Data Scientist (NHS England)	The Networked Data Lab: What can linked data tell us about the elective care waiting list Tom Prendergast, Senior Data Analyst (The Health Foundation)	Details coming soon		
16:40	17:00	Conference closing session					
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