

# NHS employers

This page provides information about different employers in the NHS in England and what each organisation does.

The NHS is divided into a series of organisations.



## NHS England <sup>[1]</sup>

NHS England monitors the performance of the NHS nationally and supports commissioning (the planning and ordering of services) locally.

## Clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) <sup>[2]</sup>

CCGs are run by GPs and other local healthcare professionals who assess local health needs and commission the services to meet them. There are more than 160 CCGs in England.

## **NHS acute or foundation trusts** [3]

NHS acute or foundation trusts provide the hospital, out-patient and other services commissioned by CCGs to meet local population needs.

## **Ambulance trusts** [4]

Ambulance trusts provide respond to 999 calls to provide emergency health services, transport patients, and provide out-of-hours care in some areas.

## **Mental health trusts** [5]

Mental health trusts provide specialist care for people with complex and severe mental health problems.

## **Care trusts** [6]

Care trusts co-ordinate health and social care services for individual users.

## **Local primary care services** [7]

Local [primary care](#) [8] services are provided through GP practices, NHS Walk-in Centres, dental practices, pharmacists and opticians.

## **111 phone service** [9]

The 111 phone service is responsible for providing healthcare advice and information 24 hours a day via the internet and over the telephone.

## **Further information**

- Find out more about the [health systems across the UK](#). [10]

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