



## **5. GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **5.1 Financial Impact**

There are no direct financial implications from the paper. A focus on prevention would incur costs, but net savings are possible from NHS budgets for many prevention initiatives. Some could also be cash releasing.

### **5.2 Staff Governance**

There are no specific workforce implications from this paper, but a focus on prevention will affect work undertaken and will also improve the health of the workforce.

### **5.3 Clinical Governance**

Prevention is an important part of both quality and patient care, and it is recommended that it is included in all pathways.

## **6. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

The report addresses equality issues.

## **7. RISK ASSESSMENT**

Risks are managed in line with NHS Highlands policy.

## **8. PUBLIC & USER INVOLVEMENT & ENGAGEMENT**

This is an independent report from the Director of Public Health.

## **9. CONCLUSIONS**

Members are asked to note and comment on the report.

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