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**Personal health budgets**

Integrated Care Boards must ensure availability of the three options:

* Notional budget.
* Third party budget (also known as an individual service fund, ISF).
* Direct payment.

This information replaces Options for managing the money, Personal health budgets and integrated personal commissioning, published in 2017.

**Shingles Vaccination Programme**

From the 1 September 2023 changes to the NHS **Shingles Vaccination Programme** will be as follows:

a. Replacement of Zostavax® with a two-dose Shingrix® vaccine for all newly eligible individuals.

b. Expansion of eligibility within the severely immunocompromised cohort to routinely offer shingles vaccination to individuals aged 50 years of age and over and with no upper age limit, and

c. Expansion of the immunocompetent cohort, with the eligible age moving from

70 to 60 years of age for the routine cohort.

**Diabetic eye screening intervals**

The [NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programme](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fpcc-cic.us5.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Dfe51aa41404cfb64f7d454491%26id%3Da93a74697d%26e%3D9be2819f9a&data=05%7C01%7C%7C911c17fd389b4ff997e008dbceea8a44%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638331278962779803%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=M4YLTt5drAtAPOQJswmk4FWLZaI7HdUbDEIF%2FSXlQTA%3D&reserved=0) will invite individuals at lower risk of diabetic retinopathy for screening every two years instead of annually. Eligibility for this change requires two consecutive eye screens with no signs of diabetic retinopathy. This follows the UK National Screening Committee's recommendation.

This [explainer](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fpcc-cic.us5.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Dfe51aa41404cfb64f7d454491%26id%3D1da2fa8da2%26e%3D9be2819f9a&data=05%7C01%7C%7C911c17fd389b4ff997e008dbceea8a44%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638331278962779803%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bTnswMLOrZ8%2BHh7VDQw93E3w4YeOk%2F%2FLJDRExFZIh80%3D&reserved=0) published by the King's Fund, explores NHS dentistry’s structure, commissioning and contracting, NHS dental appointment costs, workforce and the challenges facing this part of the health and care system.

[https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/dentistry-england-explained](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.kingsfund.org.uk%2Fpublications%2Fdentistry-england-explained&data=05%7C01%7C%7C911c17fd389b4ff997e008dbceea8a44%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638331278962779803%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=4AmpgvXLoDid4vh6Wxz%2BFfjjzJci12nMWpLWMElRT1w%3D&reserved=0)