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# techUK's Health and Social Care Programme

Representing hundreds of technology companies in the health, social care, and life sciences sectors

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# Who we are

# The techUK team

**With health and care systems across the UK facing significant challenges, the use of digital, data and technology has never been more important.**

**techUK aims to help our members navigate the complex space of digital health, life sciences, and social care. To ensure NHS systems across the country are prepared for the challenges of the future and help better digitise the health, social care, and life sciences sector.**


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# techUK has over 1000 members, including:

# What do our members say about us?

"techUK provides its members with exclusive access to the latest news and updates from policy makers and across the NHS teams. This early access to information is invaluable, allowing us to **stay ahead of the curve and make informed decisions.**"

“Being a member of techUK has provided ORCHA with a massive opportunity to **influence, connect and grow.** techUK have really supported ORCHA’s ability to raise awareness of our work alongside developing new partnerships.”

"Tunstall are delighted to be a member of techUK, joining with like-minded organisations to **discuss, debate and understand** ways to work together to improve outcomes for people – those that need the services we provide. Together, and supported by techUK, we’re **able to influence senior government stakeholders and local authorities** to focus on tech-based solutions that support this. Tunstall are big advocates of this work and when techUK succeed, our industry and members benefit."

# What we do:

**Policy advocacy and market engagement**

# Policy advocacy

techUK provides a powerful collaborative platform to influence the policy, strategic direction and delivery of digital, data and technology within the health, social care and life sciences sectors. We then advocate these collective views directly to decision-makers across the NHS, central government, local authorities, and regulatory bodies like MHRA and NICE.

Through active engagement with a wide range of stakeholders, strategic responses to consultations, and thought leadership on pressing challenges, we're helping drive the digital transformation of the UK's health, social care and life sciences sectors. Our strong voice and deep relationships with key stakeholders ensure your priorities are heard at the highest levels of policy making.

The Programme works though several channels of influence including:

- Publishing flagship reports, position papers and evidence packs.
- Member-led working groups for the social care and life sciences sectors.
- techUK-wide consultation responses, including:
  - Change NHS: help build a health service fit for the future
  - MHRA's consultation on statutory fees
  - NHS England and NICE's consultation on a new MedTech pathway
- Participating in Government-led policy working groups (e.g. 10 Year Health Plan)

## Driving Digital Transformation: techUK's Recommendations for Health and Social Care (2024)

In collaboration with techUK health and social care members, techUK's recommendations, if acted on, have the power to lead to improved services and outcomes through greater adoption of digital, data and technology.

*Read here*

## techUK's Five Point Plan for CareTech (2023)

Developed in conjunction with techUK's Social Care Working Group, techUK's Five Point Plan for CareTech makes recommendations across critical areas affecting digital transformation across the social care sector.

*Read here*

# Market engagement

techUK aims to lead the debate on digital technologies and provide a forum for government, NHS, and social care representatives to engage with the tech community.

We help government access leading industry expertise at an early stage in tackling challenges, and help our members improve their understanding of government requirements.

With over 65 events in 2024 alone, the Programme brings together key stakeholders from across the health, social care and life sciences ecosystem, allowing our members timely access to key information and the opportunity to shape governmental and NHS policy.

For instance, we recently…

- Facilitated several **Pre-Market Engagement events** - With the NHS Genomic Medicine Service and NHS London Procurement Partnership for Workforce Technology Systems Framework.
- Curated **roundtables** – on topics including the use of AI in social care and in diagnostics and treatment, data federation, technical consistency and maturity of data models such as OMOP.
- Hosted launch events of several major reports and initiatives, including the NHS England Product and Platforms Event and the NHS Marketplace Launch.

# Our Strategic Partners

## UK Government

techUK has extensive relationships with Government Departments across the Four Nations. We also work closely with central departments, including DHSC and OLS.

Department of Health & Social Care

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Department for Science, Innovation, & Technology

Office for Life Sciences

## NHS England Transformation and Commercial Directorates

techUK works closely with both Directorates to hold workshops, conferences, consultations and more.

NHS

skillsforcare

## Integrated Care Systems

We hold **regular industry briefings** with ICS and Trust CIOs across the country, providing members with the **chance to understand the digital health ecosystem.**

Health Innovation Network
*Local change, national impact*

## Regulators

We work closely with NICE and the MHRA, allowing our members to **shape regulation** and ensure the government adopts an **innovation-friendly approach** that protects patients and citizens

NICE

Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency

# How we deliver

## Events and opportunities

## Health and Social Care Industry Dinners

Dinners in Leeds and London provide a forum for industry to come together for an informal dialogue around the realities of digital transformation and technology in health and social care.

*London Dinner 2024* | *Leeds Dinner 2024*

## Health and Care Summit

Our popular Health & Care Summit brings together techUK's cross-cutting work across the health and care tech sectors, providing a forum for industry leaders to meet and discuss topical issues.

*Health and Care Summit 2024*

## Industry briefings

Our industry briefing series sees a range of digital healthcare leaders update on their current priorities and challenges and outline how industry can help. Speakers include Chief Information and Digital Officers from contrasting ICSs across the UK

## Roundtables

Working with a variety of stakeholders such as Devolved Nations, Health Innovation Networks, and local health systems, we bring together key players to identify the opportunities that digital, data and technology can offer.

## Industry days

These provide an opportunity for customers to better understand the products on the market. For example, techUK worked with the Genomic Medicine Service so potential suppliers could present their ideas for the Test directory.

## Workshops

Covering a variety of digital health, life sciences and social care topics, from strategy, to policy and implementation, our workshops offer a chance for in-depth discussion, sharing feedback and collaborative problem-solving.

## Speaking opportunities

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## Networking

Working with a variety of stakeholders such as Devolved Nations, Health Innovation Networks, and local health systems, we bring together key players to identify the opportunities that digital, data and technology can offer.

## Guest blogs and communications

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## Early access to policy updates

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# techUK workstreams

# Focus topics include

1. Interoperability and health data (Ad Hoc)
2. Commercial and procurement (Ad Hoc)
3. SME Forum (Ad Hoc)
4. Cyber
5. NHS App (Ad Hoc)
6. Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) and Devolved Nations
7. Regulation (DTAC)
8. Frontline Digitisation

Beyond the industry wide support on Health, Social Care, and Life Sciences digital transformation, the programme supports members on an ad hoc basis on key additional workstreams.

## Social Care Working Group

The Social Care Working Group explores opportunities and relating to digital transformation in social care, in alignment with recommendations made in techUK's Five Point Plan for CareTech report. The Working Group provides members with the chance to connect with national and local social care stakeholders to examine challenges in the use of digital, data and technology in social care settings and identify how industry can help to address these.

## Life Sciences Working Group

The Working Group represents industry's role in advancing the UK's Life Sciences Vision.

It collaborates with government departments to support digital innovation and data-led research while helping decision-makers understand technology solutions.

Members strengthen cross-industry collaboration, the delivery and adoption of emerging technologies, and facilitate a forum for knowledge sharing.

# Health and Social Care Council

# Council focus areas

SME Growth

Commercial and procurement

Integration of services

Artificial Intelligence

Workforce and Productivity

National Digital Services and NHS App

# Health and Social Care Council 2025/26

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