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Information and technology for better health and care



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# **NHS** Digital

### **Our mission**

To harness the power of information and technology to make health and care better

### **Our role**

The national information and technology partner to the health and care system

## The national strategy



#### **NHS Five Year Forward View**

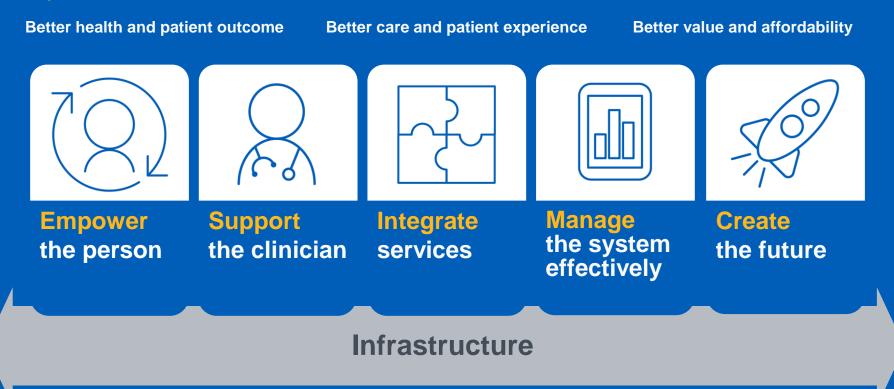
- Published on 23 October 2014
- A shared vision for the future of the NHS, based around new models of care

#### **Personalised Health and Care 2020**

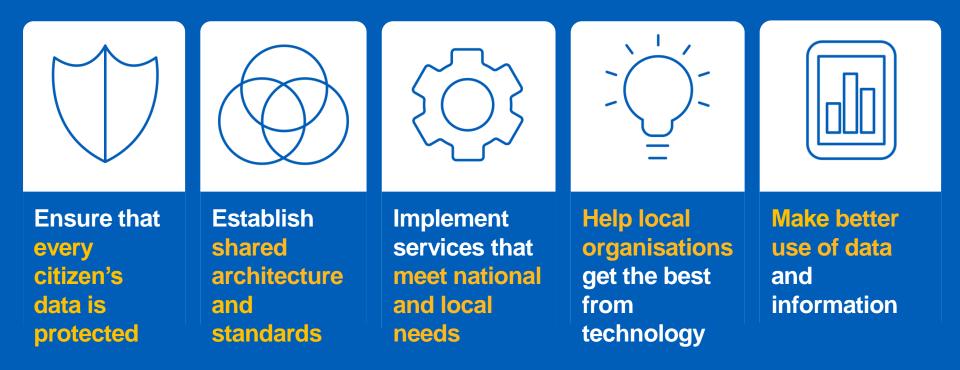
- Published by National Information Board on 13 November 2014
- The Five Year Forward View's data and technology strategy
- Use data and technology to improve health, transform quality and reduce the cost of services

## Five key areas of activity

#### **Objectives**



## **NHS Digital strategy**



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Secondary Uses Service enables payments for **£3000** worth of NHS services every year



NHS Choices receives



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# Data, Insights & Statistics

# **NHS Digital: Data, Insights and Statistics**

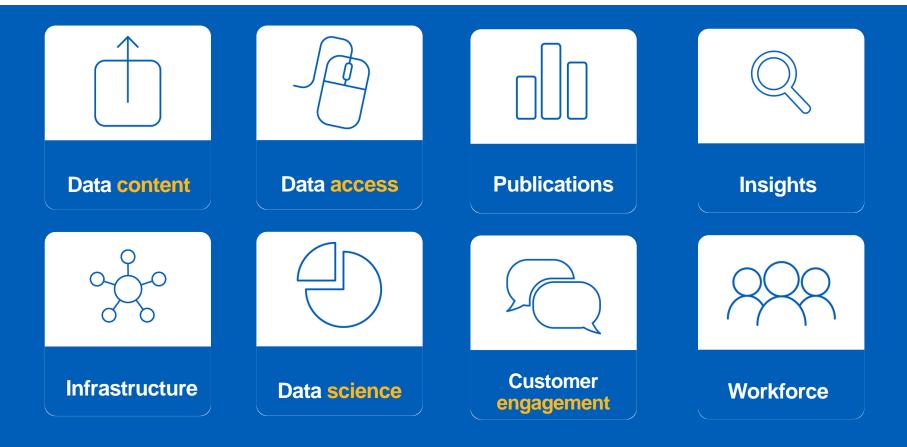
### Vision for 2020:

"a health and care system that has all the data and information that it needs, provided in an accessible and timely way, to enable it to provide the best possible services and to achieve world class health and care outcomes for patients."

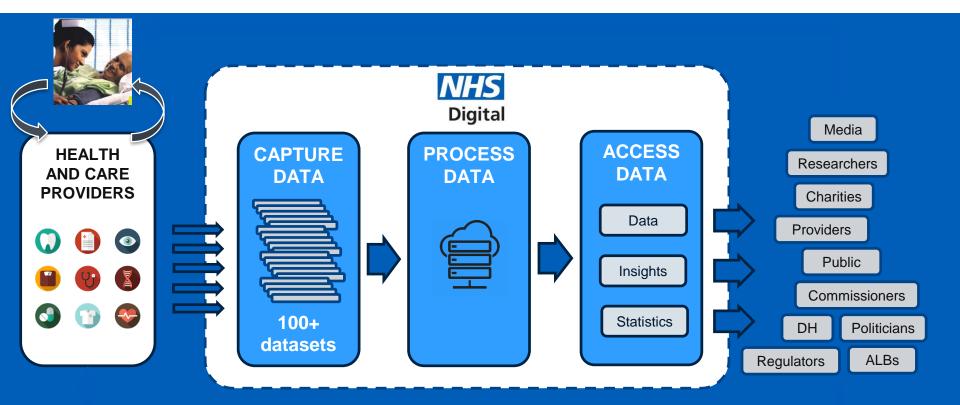
#### How we will deliver this:

"we will empower the health and care system to be intelligent in the way it uses data and information to drive improvements in health and care, by delivering world class data and analytics services through the highest level of skills, expertise, tools, techniques and technology."

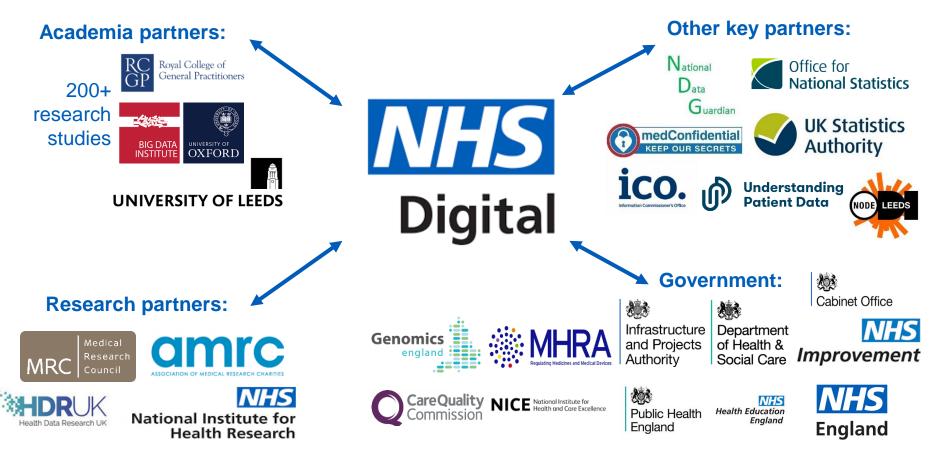
### Data: a strategy to add value



### The data journey



## Who we work with...



## Our data supports ...

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- The largest study of its kind in the world carrying out research on the cohort for over 20 years
- Main focus is on the effects of hormone replacement therapy, but the large cohort enables the study of a very broad range of health issues
- Study findings have influenced national policy, including recommendations on the prescribing and use of hormone replacement therapy



#### Imperial College London, Small Area Health Statistics Unit (SAHSU)

- Internationally recognised research into environmental health
- Assesses the risk to the health of the population from environmental factors at a small area scale
- Work includes substantive epidemiological enquiries of environmental health problems and methodological research
- Studies have produced over 200 peer reviewed publications



### University of Bristol, Children of the 90s/Avon Longitudinal study of parents and children (ALSPAC)

- World leading birth cohort study, charting the health of 14,500 families in the Bristol area
- Provides a uniquely rich resource for studying environmental and genetic factors that affect a person's health and development.
- Over 1,500 academic papers published

# **Supporting life sciences**



### Industrial Strategy

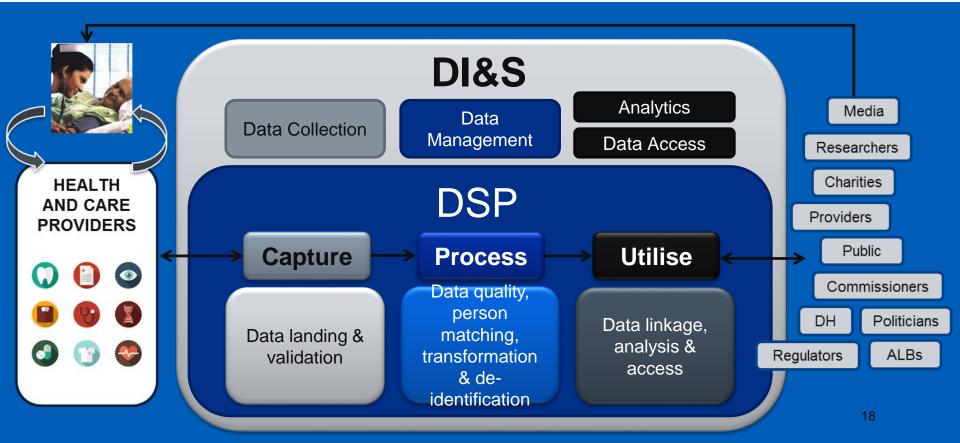
Life Sciences Sector Deal

- Published December 2017
- Significant part of UK Government's 'post Brexit' strategy
- Focus to improve the UK's health data infrastructure, to drive innovation and investment in 'UK plc'
- Includes a commitment to *"create a sandbox for secure, remote data access for anonymised data in a safe environment"*
- Prof Sir John Bell "NHS appears to have turned over a new leaf and, for the first time, is being extremely supportive in improving access to data while still protecting the rights of citizens"

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/life-sciences-sector-dea

# **Data Services Platform**

### **The Data Services Platform**



### **The Data Services Platform**

*"Transforming the way data is used to improve health and care"* 

- Data senders: ✓ improved security ✓ reduced burden
- NHS Digital: ✓ simpler, faster processes ✓ enhanced capacity
   ✓ focus on value ✓ innovative uses
- Customers: ✓ more timely data ✓ wider access to data
   ✓ better quality data
- Citizens: 

   more secure data
   more transparent use
   supporting better outcomes
- Health & care system: ✓ supporting integrated health & care

### DSP is about...

Planning Modernisation Capacity Research Technology Personalised Health and Care 2020 Transparency Insight Automation Prevention Access Efficiency **Data Quality** Treatment Timeliness Innovation Resource Advancement Usability Five Year Forward View Security

- 'Handle larger volumes of data than we have ever had before'
- About to process, analyse and disseminate spine data, hundreds of millions of records for the first time
- This will only increase
  - Life science commitment to unlock more data
  - Apps and wearables
  - PHE onboarding

- Process data faster than we have ever processed before
- Bring about automation on a scale we have not previous seen
- Enable humans to do what only humans can do
- Analyst quote 'changes the way I work, rather than spending time designing the perfect data query (due to how long it takes to run) with the processing power we now have I do not have to'
- Automatically create data assets for dissemination

- Provide location agnostic / secure seamless access to data
- Remote data access labs / environments to our customers
- To enable customers to access pre canned data, load their own data
- Export allowed and appropriate outputs from these environments

- Enable advanced analytics on complex datasets
- Utilise the latest business intelligence tools
- Enable data science AI and machine learning techniques to be applied to data
- Enable complex statistical models to be applied to data
- Provide answers and insights to questions humans wouldn't think to ask.

- Is capable of receiving data flows and collections in real time..... And processing this data
- Submissions of data from NHS Providers from April 2018 in the standard contract states daily
- This frequency will only increase as we move forwards
- Real time processing and turnaround of data

- Link data by default, using a common single identifier
- Acquire multiple datasets
- Process, cleanse, and apply a common single ID across our datasets
- Check and apply re-identification rules as a result of data linkage
- Enable dissemination of linked data

- Receive data from a variety of sources and places in different formats
- Capable of receiving data from all parts of the health system.
- Enable collaborative working and unification of datasets with other ALBs

- Comply with the latest data security and governance requirements
- Ensuring all laws and legal basis for NHS Digital are complied with
- Including
  - GDPR
  - Health and social care act
  - Digital economy act
  - Human rights act
  - Common law duty of confidence
  - Many more.....

### **DSP components**

N.C.	Data Landing Portal	Web application supporting secure local data transfers
	(DLP)	between data senders & recipients

Master Person Service Person tracing system that uses the Personal Demographic Service & enhanced matching algorithms

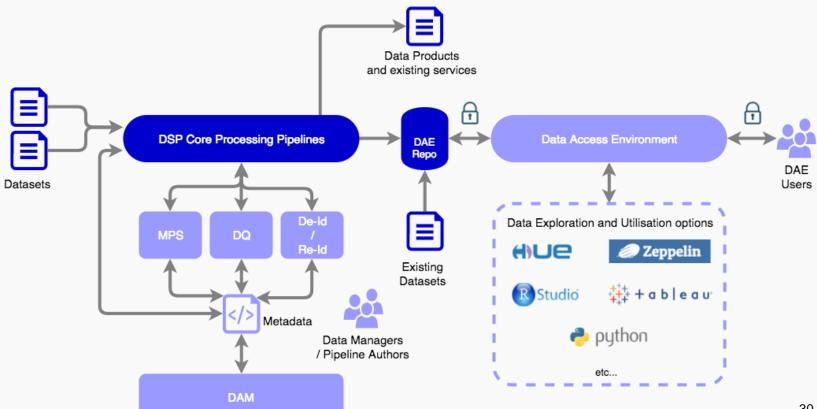
De-ID / Re-ID Nationally consistent de-identification (De-ID) and reidentification (Re-ID) tool

Core Platform Framework that integrates DSP's components, processing & storage

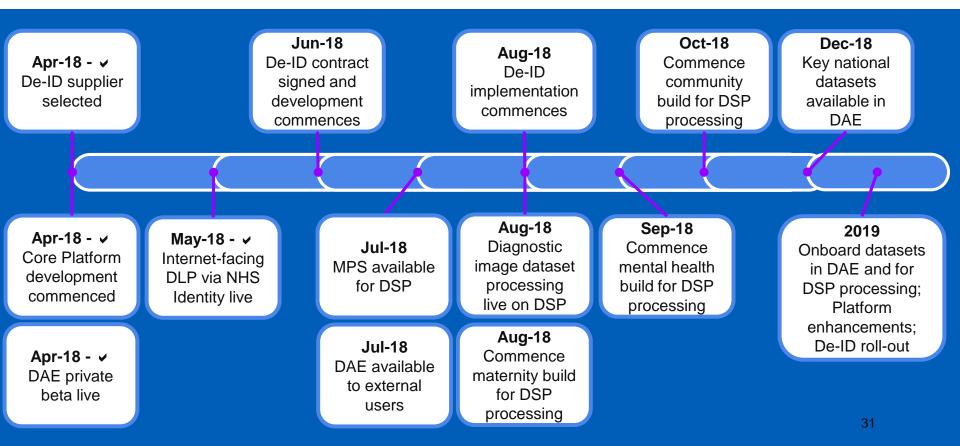


A secure way for users to remotely access better linked information faster

# **DSP design**



# **Delivery plan**



### What DSP means for researchers

### Faster access to data that is...



...whilst benefitting from...

- ✓ DARS Integration
- ✓ Interrogation and Analysis Tools
- ✓ 'Bring Your Own Data' capability

# **Engaging with the research community**

- Research Advisory Group innovation events
- Health Data Research UK
- DAE Private Beta testing and feedback
  - Public Health organisations, research community members
  - Testing and deployment of a range of analytical tools



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