

STOP

the rollout of
Integrated Care Systems
in the English



The NHS is currently being radically reorganised under cover of Covid-19.

The changes threaten patient care,
jobs and the future of the NHS
as a public service.

**Say NO to
ICSs in the NHS**

Why we **MUST** stop ICSs

The NHS in England is rapidly being reorganised into 42 regional Integrated Care Systems (ICSs), while the Covid pandemic rages.

These ICSs will strengthen the role of private companies, including US health insurance corporations, in the NHS.

NHS England wants new legislation, in the near future, to turn ICSs into legal bodies.

Despite claiming to 'integrate' health and social care services for the benefit of patients, ICSs are actually based on a model from the United States, which aims to spend less on care.

ICSs will operate with fixed annual budgets for a wide range of health and social care services – based on area-wide targets, rather than providing the care needed by the individuals who live there.

ICSs are supposed to operate as partnerships between the NHS, local authorities and others, but the plans actually sideline local authorities, threatening the future integrity of social care and reducing local accountability.

Some 83 corporations and businesses,

including 22 from the US, are getting heavily involved in developing ICSs and may even sit on their boards, putting them in a prime position to make self-serving decisions for the NHS.

Unaccountable ICS board plans will be binding. They will mean more private contracts, more down-skilling and outsourcing of NHS jobs, reduced services (partially replaced by 'digital' options and volunteers) and significant spending cuts.

We demand an immediate halt to the rollout of ICSs across the English NHS.

What you can do

Find out more about ICSs at:
keepournhspublic.com/campaigns/legislative-changes/integrated-care – you can also **sign our petition** via this page.

Share your concerns: with your local councillors, MP, party or trade union branch.

Join Keep our NHS Public in calling for the NHS to be returned to a service that is universal, comprehensive, publicly provided and free at the point of use.

