



Health and wellbeing



**key issues for
the people of Kirklees**

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 - Women of childbearing age*
 - Adults with physical disability and/or sensory impairment*
 - Adults with learning disabilities*
 - Asylum seekers*
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 - Older people*
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 - Cancer*
 - Cardiovascular disease (CVD)*
 - Children dying before their first birthday*
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Foreword

This is the third Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for Kirklees.

The previous versions are used across Kirklees in various ways. The JSNA directly influenced key strategies and plans including the Kirklees Partnership Vision, Children and Young People's Plan, Adults Commissioning Strategy and PCT Five Year Strategic Plan. The JSNA also influenced action and informed local people about the health and wellbeing picture of Kirklees.

With the Government's reorganisation of the public sector, the JSNA is seen as the local foundation of priority setting, informing commissioning strategies and plans and helping local people to hold providers and commissioners to account. The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Kirklees will develop from the evidence set out in the JSNA. The Strategy will provide the framework for joint commissioning plans and specific, detailed commissioning plans for the NHS, social care and public health.

The new Health and Wellbeing Board for Kirklees will be established with a remit to ensure coherent local commissioning between the NHS and the local authority tackles the local challenges. The Board's remit will include creating the JSNA as well as the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

This JSNA builds on the information in the previous version published in 2009. It completely refreshes the children's section and updates the adult section extensively.

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Introduction

What is a joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA)?

The JSNA “provides an objective analysis of local current and future needs for adults and children, assembling a wide range of quantitative and qualitative data, including user views”¹.

The production of the JSNA is a statutory duty for primary care trusts and local authorities since 2007. There is a new legal obligation on NHS and local authority commissioners to have due regard to the JSNA in exercising their relevant commissioning functions¹.



How has the JSNA been developed locally?

Each section highlights key issues and some potential actions for consideration by those responsible for the relevant commissioning and planning processes.

A comprehensive list of indicators for health and wellbeing are presented, many of which use data gathered directly from local people via the CLIK and Young People’s Surveys (see website). There is no new CLIK data about adults issues since the last JSNA, but there is significant new information from the 2009 Young People’s Survey. These local sources are combined with information and data from a wide range of other sources to produce a coherent understanding of the needs of local people and various communities across Kirklees, both geographical and with a common issue.

How to access the JSNA

The JSNA is being published in two formats:

- As a printed document (sections 1-6)
- Electronic format available on the web at: www.kirklees.gov.uk/jsna

This latter format will enable us to update the JSNA more speedily than publishing everything in a printed version. For example, the printed document includes data that was available at the end of 2010. As new data becomes available this will be accessible through the website.

If you have any other queries about the JSNA, how it can be used or how it being further developed please contact Deborah Collis:

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How to use this JSNA

Asking the right questions

Locally we use a set of questions to help focus our efforts on the most important issues affecting the wellbeing and health inequalities experienced by local people². The JSNA provides a range of information to enable people to both ask the right questions and to answer them.

Question:	What does the JSNA tell you about:
What difference are we trying to make for whom?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The specific population you are interested in?• The issues affecting that population and how these are changing?• The groups experiencing better/worse outcomes?
What are the factors that cause the difference?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why those groups are experiencing worse outcomes?• The causes of those differences?
What actions will be effective in tackling this difference?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potential actions?
How are we using resources proportionate to the gradient of need of local people?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key indicators you could use to match resources to need?
How will we know if we have made a difference and to whom?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The current situation for your target groups?• Key indicators you could use to measure change in their needs?

Getting started

There are three potential starting points for using this JSNA to answer these questions:

People

To understand the overall Kirklees population in Kirklees the best starting point is the overall summary, and for more detail, the summaries of issues affecting children and young people or adults or populations in Kirklees.

To understand the needs of specific groups of people within Kirklees the best starting point is the sections covering specific vulnerable groups, (e.g. older people, disabled children, offenders etc.) (see website).

Issue

To understand how specific issues (i.e. conditions, behaviour or wider factors) affects people in Kirklees the best starting point is the overall summary, and for more detail, the summary of issues affecting children and young people or adults. The section covering the specific issue, e.g. cancer, alcohol, housing etc. is available via the website. Each section sets out the headlines for the issue, why the issue is important, what we know locally including what local people have told us about the issue, and suggestions for local commissioners and service planners to consider.

Place

If you are interested in a particular place, the locality sections are the best starting point. These are structured around the six Town and Valley localities. For each locality there is a description of the population, the issues affecting children and young people and adults and a summary of the key issues for the locality.

There are tables for children and young people and adults for each locality which highlight the key indicators for the locality and where the locality is different from Kirklees and where it has changed from previous reports.

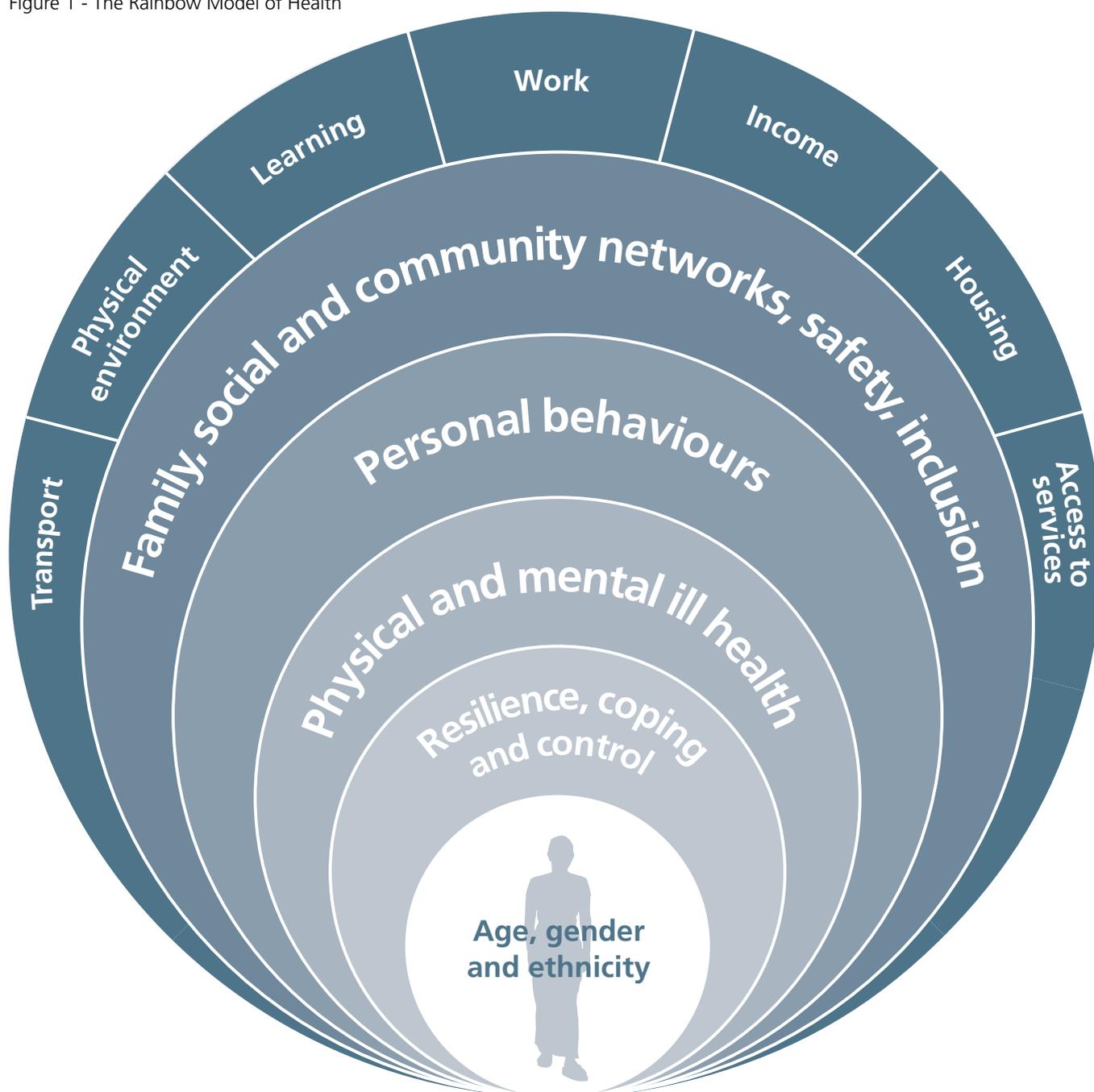
Where relevant and possible, information is also presented below locality level to highlight the significant difference within localities, i.e. between: Holme Valley and Colne Valley; the north and south of Huddersfield; Mirfield and Denby Dale & Kirkburton; Batley and Birstall & Birkenshaw.

The localities are presented in an order that puts all those in the north of Kirklees together and all those in the south together, working from north to south across Kirklees.

Understanding the links

The Framework for Promoting Wellbeing and Tackling Health Inequalities in Kirklees² has at its core the 'rainbow' model, as have our JSNAs. This shows the range of issues that influence the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities and understanding the links between people, issues and place. Each section of the JSNA highlights some of the key interdependencies between people, issues and place, e.g. cancer and smoking, alcohol and crime, housing and older people, infant death and north Kirklees. It is important to understand these interdependencies in order to build up a comprehensive picture.

Figure 1 - The Rainbow Model of Health



Using the data

The JSNA has a wealth of data within it, and the references throughout the text point to other local and national sources. The printed document has the data that was available at the end of 2010. As new data becomes available it is accessible through the website.

There are data tables for children and adults, for a wide range of indicators for each locality and below, Kirklees level and nationally wherever possible see website. Most of the data is presented as a rate per 1,000 to allow for easy comparison. Any mentions of changes in the text are compared to the last JSNA (2009), unless another comparison date is specifically cited. So check the data definition tables to identify the exact time period the data relates to.

NB: The specific definition of each indicator is in the data definitions tables. It is important to use these to be clear what the indicator is actually measuring, which section of the population it covers, if it is a rate per 1,000 or something else, and the date and source of the data.

We are currently developing the Kirklees Observatory as an online gateway to enable people to easily access the data they need to improve planning and commissioning. Other components of an intelligence function will be developed in parallel to support the easy use of the Observatory by commissioners and service planners in particular. This function includes further information and interpretation, easy access to published documentation, educational resources and tools to enable easier and wider understanding of what we know. Together these developments will provide Kirklees with a rich, accessible and robust source of intelligence about people living in Kirklees, together with evidence of effectiveness or best practice to support actions to address needs and reduce inequalities within Kirklees.

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- 1 Department of Health. Liberating the NHS: Legislative framework and next steps. 2010.
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