

Women's Health in Somerset

Register of Interested Professionals

Context

In August 2022, the Government published the first ever [Women's Health Strategy for England](#). The strategy sets out how they will go further with their 6-point long-term plan for transformational change:

1. Ensuring women's voices are heard
2. Improving access to services
3. Addressing disparities in outcomes among women
4. Better information and education
5. Greater understanding of how women's health affects their experience in the workplace
6. Supporting more research, improving the evidence base and spearheading the drive for better data

The strategy goes on to set out our approach to priority areas related to specific conditions or areas of health where the call for evidence highlighted particular issues or opportunities:

- menstrual health and gynaecological conditions
- fertility, pregnancy, pregnancy loss and postnatal support
- prescribing in pregnancy and lactation
- menopause
- mental health and wellbeing
- cancers
- the health impacts of violence against women and girls
- healthy ageing and long-term conditions

As part of the Women's Health Strategy, the Government has also announced the £25 million funding allocation. The £25 million investment will be distributed equally to Integrated Care Boards (ICBs), with £595,000 in total for each ICB. This is to enable the establishment of at least one women's health hub in every integrated Care System (ICS).

In response to the Women's Health Strategy and the development of a Women's Health Hub in Somerset, a Women's Health Working Group has been established. The aim of the group is to map current initiatives, understand the health needs of our population and identify who is interested in and / or working in women's health.

Therefore, we would like to collate a register of people around the Somerset system with an interest, training and / or specialism in women's health, whether you sit in primary care, community, pharmacy, the VCSE sector... the list goes on! Please share this form with your colleagues and wider networks.

Equality Statement

While in this document we refer to women, we recognise that solely referencing cisgender women (women who identify with the sex they were assigned with at birth) in the context of women's health, may exclude transgender and non-binary people who will also have specific needs and experiences which should be considered.

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Please follow the link below or scan the QR code to complete the form:-

[Register of Interested Persons](#)



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NHS Somerset ICB is the statutory NHS organisation responsible for planning and delivering local health and care services. Working collaboratively with partner organisations, we oversee the commissioning, performance, financial management and transformation of the local NHS in Somerset, as part of the Somerset Integrated Care System (ICS).

We will use the information that you provide to collate a register of professionals who specialise in or have an interest in women's health in Somerset.

We may share your data with other organisations as part of the Somerset's Women's Health working group, such as primary care, Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Public Health.

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