

What Is the NHS?

The NHS stands for the National Health Service in the UK.

People who work in the NHS keep people healthy. They help us when we're feeling poorly or are hurt.



When Do We Use the NHS?

Think about times when you have been helped by someone who works for the NHS.

Who helped you when you were hurt?

Who gave you medicine when you were poorly?

Who would you phone if you needed medical help in an emergency?

Life Before the NHS

The UK hasn't always had a National Health Service.

Before having the NHS, only very rich people could afford to go to hospital or get medical help.

Seeing a doctor used to cost a lot of money. If the person did not have enough money, they did not get the medicine or the help.



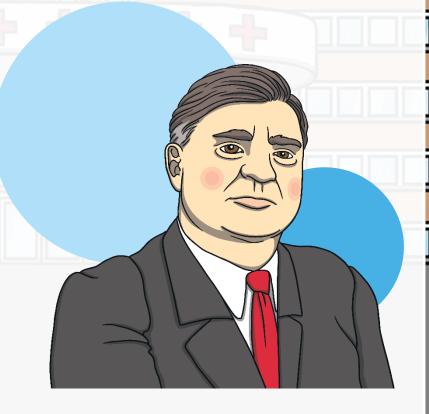


Aneurin Bevan

Aneurin Bevan decided to change things. He wanted everyone to be able to get help when they were ill or injured.

Aneurin Bevan was from Wales. He worked for the government.

After the Second World War, he was chosen to be in charge of health in the UK. His job was to think about how to keep everyone healthy.



Aneurin Bevan

Aneurin Bevan started the National Health Service on 5th July 1948.

He wanted medical care to be free for everyone in the UK.

This meant that it did not matter whether people had lots of money or not - everyone could get treated and helped.



How Does It Work?

Every person in the United Kingdom can get medical help when they need it, without paying a bill.

The UK has a special system for collecting money to pay for this.

Every grown-up with a job pays something called taxes. This is money that they pay to the government each month.

The money from taxes is shared out by the government. Some of the money is given to the NHS to pay for the staff, the buildings and the equipment.



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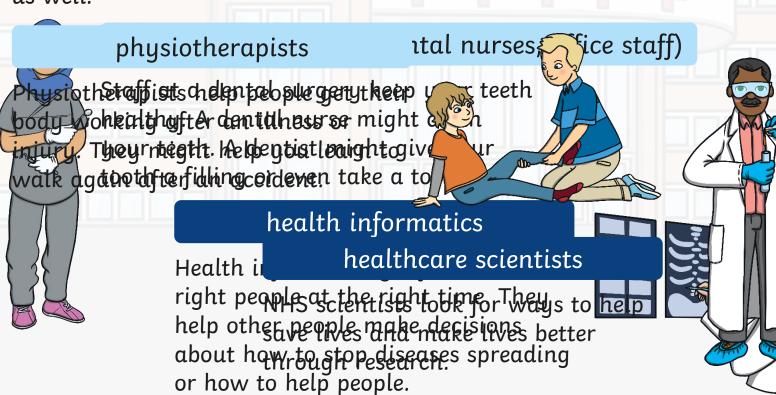


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management

The NF pharmacists

system runs smoothly. They work out how to Pharmacists get medicine ready for people who spend money, how many people are needed to are poorly. They give people advice on taking work at each hospital, and more, the right medicine to get better.

midwives

Midwives look after pregnant women. They help to deliver the baby and to keep the mand baby healthy afterwards.

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public health team

The public health team are the charge of kers support making sure that we know how to live healthy really lives and what to do if we are unwell.

Which jobs were

new to you?

Did you know
about all these
different jobs within
the NHS?

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What is PPE

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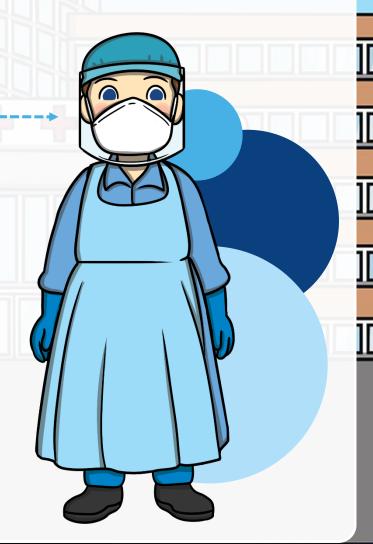


Why is PPE important for the NHS?

PPE is important to keep NHS workers safe in the workplace or on home visits when they might be near people who could have harmful germs. Healthcare workers might need to use special equipment, follow special rules or instructions or have someone work with them to make sure they are safe.

Eyes

If needed, safety glasses, goggles or a face shield might be worn to stop objects or bacteria going into the eyes.



hands and arms

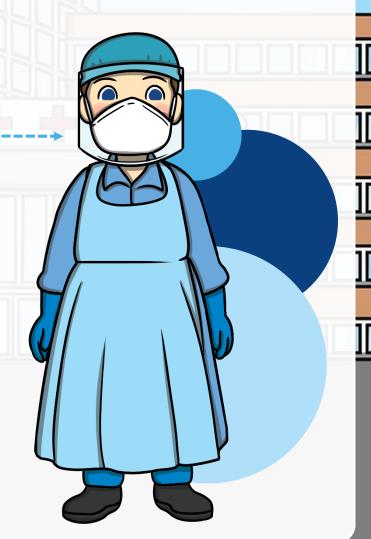
If needed, gloves or sleeves that cover part or all of the arm might be worn to stop risks such as hot or cold temperatures, chemicals, radiation or bacteria harming the skin.



lungs

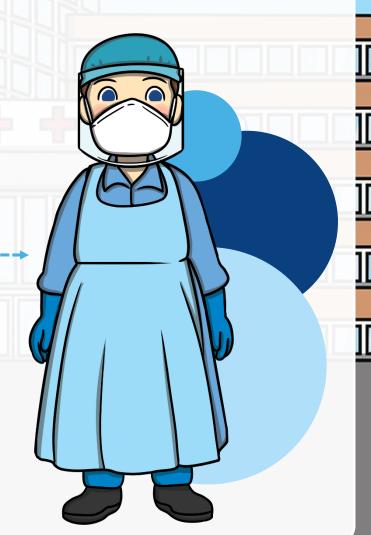
If needed, a filtered facepiece or a respirator might be worn to stop the wearer breathing in dangerous gases, dust or bacteria.

It's important to remember that these must be filtered.



Whole body

If needed, aprons, boiler suits or overalls can be worn to stop heat, unclean liquid, dust or harmful objects touching the body.



NHS Quiz!

Are doctors and nurses the only people who work for the NHS?

made up of people doing many different important jobs.

No, the NHS is

National Health Service

What does NHS stand for?

What did Aneurin Bevan create?

The NHS

Pay money for it.

Before the NHS, what did people have to do if they needed help or medicine?

