



NoSPHN

North of Scotland Public Health Network (NoSPHN)

The NoS and health protection on
call services:
past, current and future perspectives

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NoSPHN is a Public Health collaboration between NHS Grampian, NHS Highland, NHS Orkney, NHS Shetland, NHS Tayside and NHS Western Isles

Scottish Government Urban/Rural Classification, 2013-2014

8 Fold Classification

- Large Urban Areas (with a population of 125,000 or more)
- Other Urban Areas (with a population of 10,000 to 124,999)
- Accessible Small Towns (with a population of 3,000 to 9,999)
- Remote Small Towns (with a population of 3,000 to 9,999)
- Very Remote Small Towns (with a population of 3,000 to 9,999)
- Accessible Rural (with a population of less than 3,000)
- Remote Rural (with a population of less than 3,000)
- Very Remote Rural (with a population of less than 3,000)

Note:

Accessible areas are defined as those areas that are within a 30 minute drive time from the centre of a settlement with a population of 10,000 or more. Remote areas are within a 60 minute drive time, while Very Remote areas have a drive time which is greater than 60 minutes.

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A shared -
remote,
rural &
island focus



93 inhabited
islands

Drivers past



- Statutory responsibility
- National, regional and local imperatives
- Scarce public health resource
- Delivery of core functions
- Recruitment and retention
- Economies of effort – reducing duplication
- Resilience and sustainable services
- Remote, rural and island perspectives

History of support

Drivers present



- Review of Public Health 2015
- Shared Services Review
- H&SC Delivery Plan – regional collaboration / NoS CEOs
- Public Health Reform – commission(s)
- Resilience arrangements
- Finance
- Communicable disease / environmental hazards

What are we trying to solve / improve?

Drivers future?



What do we want to be in control of going forward?

Ensure - resilient, robust and sustainable services

Today?

- Focus is out of hours on call only
- Focus on improvement
- Opportunity to share, understand explore, prepare
- Influence

Resources / enablers?

- Shared focus
- Criteria for working
- Commitment of DsPH
- Governance
- Equal partners / trust / cooperation
- Win wins
- Not being constrained by artificial boundaries

NoSPHN Models of working

- One Board progressing work on behalf of others
- One Board coordinating / leading work of others
- Formal agreements (MOU surge capacity)
- Commissioning work
- Influencing collectively
- Focussing expertise
- Acting on behalf of the NoS
- Supportive environment