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Improving health and care in Bristol,  
North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

# Bristol North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Integrated Care System Strategy

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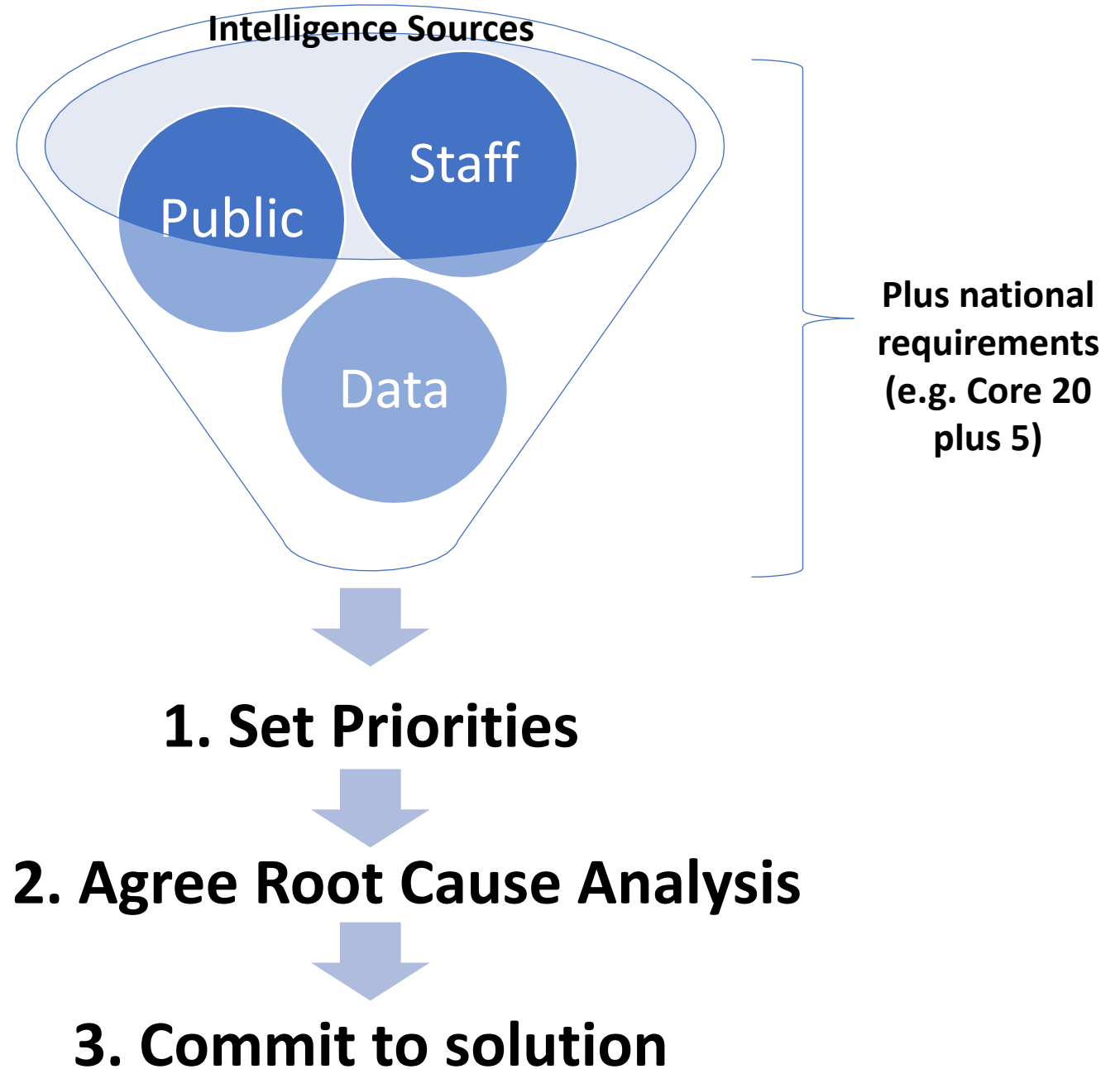
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# Integrated Care Systems' four key aims:

- improving outcomes in population health and health care
- tackling inequalities in outcomes, experience and access
- enhancing productivity and value for money
- helping the NHS to support broader social and economic development

*During the extensive engagement work that has been done to date, over 200 issues to address have been identified, most of which are laudable aims that everyone could agree with. The problem however is that we have limited capacity to address key strategic issues at any point in time and therefore we need to be clear about how to prioritise. Any one issue we choose to address comes at the cost of the opportunity of doing something else. We therefore need to have a clear rationale, underpinned by pre-agreed principles, for prioritising the tackling of one issue above another.*



# Proposed prioritisation principles

- We will use **evidence** (quantitative and qualitative) to identify our key opportunities for meeting our 4 objectives
- We will focus on those priorities that have a **high potential to impact** at a population level, and are **susceptible** to a strategic solution.
- We will ensure a strong **equality impact assessment** is conducted before putting forward a suggested priority (as we do not want to widen the health inequality gap by providing interventions that only those with high levels of personal and social capital are likely to access/ benefit from)
- We will **balance** priorities that address the causes of premature mortality (e.g. cancer and heart disease) with those which degrade quality of life but aren't in themselves fatal (e.g. anxiety/ depression and chronic pain)
- Agreed priorities need to be **measurable** in terms delivering improved outcomes/ results
- Agreed priorities need to be costed and **affordable**/ resource releasing
- We will be clear about the **timeline** (short, medium or long term) that the delivery our priorities are likely to have an impact
- We will **regularly review** our priorities, reapplying the principles set out above

# How can the system work together differently?

## **Clarity**

a lucid analysis of the key challenges and how we are prioritising them

## **Candour**

honest conversations about what the drivers of our challenges are

## **Commitment**

each partnership signing up to do what is necessary to address our priorities

## **Collaboration**

pooling our strategic and intelligence resources to create a BNSSG Strategic Network

## **Consistency**

a recognisable common thread running through all partner strategy documents

## **Consequential**

our strategy has real, quantifiable impacts on improving lives