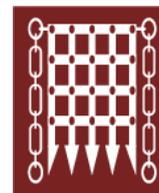


**Westminster Health Forum policy conference:  
Next steps for AI in UK healthcare - development, regulation and implementation**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Key considerations for regulation of AI in UK healthcare**  
**Professor Alastair Denniston**, Chair, UK National Commission on the Regulation of AI in Healthcare  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **The future role of AI in UK health services - development, implementation, and sector growth**  
Senior representative, industry
- 9.40 **Priorities for innovation, safety, funding, market access and scaling in AI healthcare**  
*investment priorities and routes to adoption | utilising and channelling digital and AI funding | regulatory certainty for AI and Software as a Medical Device | insights from MHRA's AI Airlock programme | approval routes and market access for diagnostic AI | supporting safe scaling across multiple trusts | addressing interoperability challenges with NHS digital infrastructure and legacy systems | data governance and the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025 | consent models, research collaboration, and maintaining public confidence | data quality and the accuracy of health records as a constraint on AI performance*  
**Professor Angela Wood**, Professor, Health Data Science, British Heart Foundation Data Science Centre  
Senior representative, research  
Senior representative, NHS  
Senior representative, procurement
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Latest developments in the AI Airlock sandbox and next steps for regulation**  
**Professor Gabriela Commatteo**, Head, AI Regulation, Policy and Projects, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Evans of Rainow**
- 11.10 **Safety and public confidence in AI, quality of care, and automated decision-making**  
*frameworks for proportionate risk-based regulation for healthcare AI | addressing regulatory gaps alongside supporting innovation | safety, accountability, and liability for AI-enabled clinical tools | evidence requirements for safe and timely deployment | tackling bias and inequity in AI systems, including impacts related to accents and dialects | priorities for data security, information governance, and clinical confidentiality | frameworks for governance and human oversight in automated decision-making | implications for AI-assisted triage and eligibility assessments | using AI to support learning from patient safety incidents and engagement with PSIRF*  
**Dr Sheikh Mateen Ellahi**, GP Partner and Clinical Safety Officer, Elm Tree Medical Centre  
**Majid Hassan**, Partner, Capsticks Solicitors  
Senior representative, patients  
Senior representative, technology  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **Assessing next steps for AI integration in the NHS - infrastructure, skills, trust, and efficiency**  
*scaling AI from pilots to wider adoption across the NHS | reducing duplication and costs associated with isolated pilot projects | centralised and standardised deployment models | digital capability, readiness, and infrastructure gaps | interoperability and integration with existing systems | organisational capacity for change and tackling siloed working | patient engagement and transparency about how AI is used in care | next steps for AI-enabled functionality in the NHS App | pilots and safeguards for generative AI symptom checkers and triage | health and digital literacy requirements for safe use | workforce skills for managing data and interpreting AI insights | leadership and capability building when time and resources are pressured | adapting to evolving roles and system-wide capacity impacts*  
**Professor Colin Fleming**, Consultant Dermatologist, British Association of Dermatologists, and Director, Innovation, NHS Tayside  
Senior representative, digital  
Senior representative, skills  
Senior representative, industry  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.45 **Priorities for policy and the use of AI in UK healthcare**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.10 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**  
**Lord Evans of Rainow**  
**Jessica Lear**, Westminster Health Forum