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Glossary of acronyms

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| **A** |  |
| A&E | Accident and Emergency |
| AAGBI | Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland |
| AAU | Acute Assessment Unit |
| ABHI | Association of British Healthcare Industries |
| ABN | Association of British Neurologists |
| ABPI | Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry |
| ABPS | Associate British Psychological Society |
| AC | Audit Commission |
| ACLS | Advanced Coronary Life Support |
| ACS | Adult and Community Services |
| ADT | Admissions Discharges and Transfers |
| AFC | Agenda for Change |
| AHCS | Academy for Healthcare Science |
| AHP | Allied Health Professional |
| ALA | Association of Local Authorities |
| ALOS | Average Length of Stay |
| AMED | Allied and Complementary Medicine Database |
| AMHP | Approved Mental Health Professional |
| AMU | Acute Medical Unit |
| ANA | Apprentice Nursing Associate |
| ANP | Advanced Nurse Practitioner |
| AP | Assistant Practitioner |
| ARRS | Additional Role Recruitment/Reimbursement Scheme |
| ASA | Ambulance Service Association |
| ASQ | Ages and Stages Questionnaire |
| ATR | Approval to Recruit |
| **B** |  |
| BAA | British Academy of Audiology |
| BAC | British Association of Chemists |
| BADS | British Association of Day Surgery |
| BAEM | British Association for Accident and Emergency Medicine |
| BAMM | British Association of Medical Managers |
| BAN | British Association of Neurologists |
| BAO | British Association of Otolaryngology |
| BAOT | British Association of Occupational Therapists |
| BAPS (1) | British Association of Paediatric Surgeons |
| BAPS (2) | British Association of Plastic Surgeons |
| BASICS | British Association for Immediate Care |
| BDA (1) | British Dental Association |
| BDA (2) | British Dietetic Association |
| BGS | British Geriatric Association |
| BMA | British Medical Association |
| BMBS | Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery |
| BME | Black and Minority Ethnic |
| BMI | Body Mass Index |
| BMJ | British Medical Journal |
| BNF | British National Formulary |
| BPS | British Psychological Society |
| BSA | British Society of Audiology |
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| **C** |  |
| CAB/C&B | Choose and Book |
| CAB | Clinical Advisory Board |
| CAF | Common Assessment Framework |
| CAMHS | Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service |
| CAN | Children with Additional Needs |
| CAT Scan | Computerised Axial Tomography scan |
| CAU (1) | Child and Adolescent Unit |
| CAU (2) | Clinical Admissions Unit |
| CBT | Cognitive Behavioural Therapy |
| CC | Care Coordinator |
| CCG | Clinical Commissioning Group |
| CCIO | Chief Clinical Information Officer |
| CCT | Community Care Team |
| CCU (1) | Coronary Care Unit |
| CCU (2) | Critical Care Unit |
| CD | Clinical Director |
| CDI | Clostridioides Difficile Infection |
| CDO | Chief Dental Officer |
| CDU | Clinical Decision Unit |
| CE | Chief Executive |
| CEM | College of Emergency Medicine |
| CEO | Chief Executive Officer |
| CEP | Centre for Evidence Based Purchasing |
| CET | Clinical Evaluation Team |
| CFR | Community First Responders |
| CFT | Community Foundation Trust |
| CG | Clinical Governance |
| CHAI | Commission for Healthcare Audit and Inspection |
| CHC | Continuing Health Care |
| CHCs | Community Health Councils |
| CHD | Coronary Heart Disease |
| CHI | Commission for Health Improvement |
| CHIQ | Centre for Health Information Quality |
| CHIR | Centre for Healthcare Innovation Research |
| CHP | Community Health Partnerships |
| CIC | Community Interest Company |
| CILIP | Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals |
| CINAHL | Cumulative Index of Nursing and Allied Health Literature |
| CIO | Chief Information Officer |
| CIP | Cost Improvement Programme |
| CIS | Care Identity Service |
| CLG | (Department of) Communities and Local Government |
| CME | Continuing Medical Education |
| CMHN | Community Mental Health Nurse |
| CMHT | Community Mental Health Team |
| CMO | Chief Medical Officer |
| CNO | Chief Nursing Officer |
| CNS | Clinical Nurse Specialist |
| COG | Council of Governors |
| COPD | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease |
| COSHH | Control of Substances Hazardous to Health |
| COTE | Care of the Elderly |
| CP | Child Protection |
| CPCS | Community Pharmacist Consultation Service |
| CPD | Continuing Professional Development |
| CPN | Community Psychiatric Nurse |
| CPO | Chief Pharmaceutical Officer |
| CPP | Child Protection Plans |
| CPR | Child Protection Register |
| CQC | Care Quality Commission |
| CQI | Continuous Quality Improvement |
| CQUIN | Commissioning for Quality and Innovation |
| CRD | Centre for Reviews and Dissemination |
| CRG | Clinical Reference Group |
| CSAG | Clinical Standards Advisory Group |
| CSM | Clinical Services Manager |
| CSO | Chief Scientific Officer |
| CSU | Clinical Services Unit |
| CT Scan | Computerised Tomography Scan |
| CYP | Children and Young People |
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| **D** |  |
| DAT | Drug Action Team |
| DBS | Disclosure and Barring Service |
| DCR | Digital Care Record |
| DDA (1) | Disability Discrimination Act |
| DDA (2) | Dispensing Doctors’ Association |
| DEFRA | Department for Environment |
| DES | Directed Enhanced Service |
| DGH | District General Hospital |
| DH | Department for Health |
| DoF | Director of Finance |
| DH/DoH | Department of Health |
| DHSC | Department of Health and Social Care |
| DN | District Nurse |
| DNA | Did Not Attend (Patient Appointments) |
| DPA | Data Protection Act |
| DPIA | Data Protection Impact Assessments |
| DPH | Director of Public Health |
| DPR | Data Protection Registers |
| DQ | Data Quality |
| DR (1) | Disaster Recovery |
| DR (2) | Doctor |
| DS | Discharge Summary |
| DSP | Data Security and Protection |
| DsPH | Directors of Public Health |
| DSU | Day Surgery Unit |
| DTC | Diagnostic and Treatment Centre |
| DVT | Deep Vein Thrombosis |
| DWP | Department of Work and Pensions |
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| **E** |  |
| E&D | Equality and Diversity |
| EAU | Emergency Assessment Unit |
| EBC | Evidence Based Cycle |
| EBH | Evidence Based Healthcare |
| EBL | Electronic Book Library |
| EBM | Evidence Based Medicine |
| EBP | Evidence Based Practice |
| ECAP | Emergency Care Action Plan |
| ECDL | European Computer Driving Licence |
| ECG | Electroencephalogram |
| ED (1) | Emergency Department |
| ED (2) | Executive Director |
| EDM | Electronic Document Management |
| EDN | Electronic Discharge Notification |
| EHIC | European Health Insurance Card |
| HER | Electronic Health Record |
| EIA | Equality Impact Assessment |
| EMU | Emergency Medical Unit |
| ENP | Emergency Nurse Practitioner |
| ENT | Ear Nose and Throat |
| EPDA | European Parkinson’s Disease Association |
| EPR | Electronic Patient Record |
| EPS | Electronic Prescription Service |
| EQIA | Equalities Impact Assessment |
| ERS | Electronic Referral System |
| ESR | Electronic Staff Record |
| ETD | Education Training and Development |
| EWTD | European Working Time Directive |
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| **F** |  |
| FAU | Frailty Assessment Unit |
| FBC (1) | Full Blood Count |
| FBC (2) | Full Business Case |
| FFT | Friends and Family Test |
| FHS | Family Health Services |
| FOI | Freedom of Information |
| FOIA | Freedom of Information Act |
| FPA | Faculty of Physician Associates |
| FRA | Fire Risk Assessment |
| FRCA | Fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists |
| FRCGP | Fellow of the Royal College of General Practitioners |
| FRCO | Fellow of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists |
| FRCOG | Fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists |
| FRCP | Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians |
| FRCS | Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons |
| FSA | Food Standards Agency |
| FT | Foundation Trust |
| FTE | Full Time Equivalent/Employees |
| FTGA | Foundation Trust Governors’ Association |
| FTN | Foundation Trust Network |
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| **G** |  |
| G&A | General and Acute |
| GA | General Anaesthetic |
| GCP | Good Clinical Practice |
| GDC | General Dental Council |
| GDPR | General Data Protection Regulation |
| GDS | General Dental Services |
| GHG | Greenhouse Gas Emissions |
| GIC | Gender Identity Clinic |
| GMC | General Medical Council |
| GMP | General Medical Practitioner |
| GMS | General Medical Services |
| GOC | General Optical Council |
| GOS | General Ophthalmic Services |
| GOSH | Great Ormond Street Hospital |
| GP | General Practice/Practitioner |
| GPC | (BMA) General Practitioners Committee |
| GPHC | General Pharmaceutical Council |
| GPS | Government Procurement Services |
| GPSI | General Practitioner with a Special Interest |
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| **H** |  |
| H@H | Hospital at Home/Hospice at Home |
| H&S | Health and Safety |
| HA | Health Authority |
| HB | Health Board |
| HCA | Healthcare Assistant |
| HCC | Healthcare Commission |
| HCHS | Hospital and Community Health Services |
| HCL | Healthcare Central London |
| HCPC | Health and Care Professions Council |
| HCSW | Health Care Support Worker |
| HDU | High Dependency Unit |
| HEE | Health Education England |
| HEMS | Helicopter Emergency Medical Service |
| HES | Hospital Episode Statistics |
| HGC | Human Genetics Commission |
| HIA | Health Impact Assessment |
| HIC | Health Information Centre |
| HIS | Health Information Service/System |
| HMIC | Health Management Information Consortium |
| HMMC | Hospital Medicines Management Collaborative |
| HOD | Heads of Department |
| HPA | Health Protection Agency |
| HPU | Health Protection Unit |
| HR | Human Resources |
| HRA | Health Research Authority |
| HRG | Health Resource Group |
| HRT | Hormone Replacement Therapy |
| HSC | Health and Safety Commission |
| HSCC | Health and Social Care Committee |
| HSCDS | Health and Social Care Digital Service |
| HSCI | Health Service Cost Index |
| HSE | Health and Safety Executive |
| HSIB | Health Safety Investigation Board |
| HSJ | Health Service Journal |
| HSMR | Hospital Standardised Mortality Rates |
| HSW | Healthcare Support Worker |
| HTA (1) | Health Technology Assessment |
| HTA (2) | Health Tissue Authority |
| HTT | Home Treatment Team |
| HWB | Health and Wellbeing Board |
| HWE | Healthwatch England |
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| **I** |  |
| I&E | Income and Expenditure |
| IBP | Integrated Business Plan |
| IC (1) | Infection Control |
| IC (2) | Information Commissioner |
| ICAS | Independent Complaints Advocacy Service |
| ICB | Integrated Care Board |
| ICD | International Classification of Diseases |
| ICDS | Integrated Child Development Services |
| ICNARC | Intensive Care National Audit and Research Centre |
| ICO (1) | Information Commissioner’s Office |
| ICO (2) | Integrated Care Organisation |
| ICP | Integrated Care Pathway/Partnerships |
| ICS | Integrated Care System |
| ICSS | Integrated Community Stroke Service |
| ICT (1) | Infection Control Team |
| ICT (2) | Information and Communication Technology |
| ICU | Intensive Care Unit |
| IFRS | International Financial Reporting Standards |
| IG | Information Governance |
| IGT | Information Governance Toolkit |
| IIF | Investment and Impact Fund |
| IHI | Institute for Healthcare Improvement |
| IIP | Investor’s in People |
| IM&T | Information Management & Technology |
| IP | Inpatient |
| IPC | Infection Prevention Control |
| IPG | Interventional Procedures Guidance (NICE) |
| IPH | Improving Partnerships for Hospitals |
| IPN | Infection Prevention Nurse |
| IPR | Individual Performance Review |
| IRME ® | Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations |
| ISA | Independent Safeguarding Authority |
| ISB | Information Standards Board for Health and Social Care |
| ISCAS | Independent Sector Complaints Adjudication Service |
| ISCG | Informatics Services Commissioning Group |
| ISCT | International Society for Cellar Therapy |
| ISMS | Information Security Management System |
| ISTCs | Independent Sector Treatment Centres |
| IT | Information Technology |
| ITT | Invitation to Tender |
| ITU | Intensive Therapy Unit |
| IWL | Improving Working Lives |
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| **J** |  |
| JAG | Joint Advisory Group |
| JAMA | Journal of the American Medical Association |
| JCHMT | Joint Committee of Higher Medical Training |
| JCHST | Joint Committee of Higher Surgical Training |
| JCVI | Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation |
| JD | Job Description |
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| **K** |  |
| KHL | Kidderminster Health Library |
| KLS | Knowledge and Library Service |
| KPI | Key Performance Indicator |
| KSF | Knowledge and Skills Framework |
| KTC | Kidderminster Treatment Centre |
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| **L** |  |
| LA (1) | Local Anaesthetic |
| LA (2) | Local Area |
| LA (3) | Local Authority |
| LAA | Local Area Agreement |
| LAC | Looked After Children |
| LAS | Locum Appointment for Service |
| LAT | Locum Appointment for Training |
| LCFS | Local Counter Fraud Specialist |
| LD | Learning Difficulties/Disability |
| LDD | Learning Difficulties and Disabilities |
| LDP | Local Delivery Plan |
| LDPB | Learning Disability Partnership Board |
| LDS | Learning and Development Service |
| LES | Local Enhanced Service |
| LFT | Liver Function Test |
| LGA | Local Government Association |
| LHA | Local Health Authority |
| LHB | Local Health Board |
| LHC | Local Health Community |
| LHP | Local Health Plan |
| LHW | Local Healthwatch |
| LINks | Local Involvement Networks |
| LIPS | Leading Improvements in Patient Safety |
| LIS | Local Implementation Strategy |
| LIT | Local Implementation Team |
| LKS | Library and Knowledge Services |
| LMC (1) | Licentiate of the Medical Council of the United Kingdom |
| LMC (2) | Local Medical Committee |
| LMS | Learning Management System |
| LOS | Length of Stay |
| LPSA | Local Public Service Agreement |
| LQAF | (NHS) Library Quality Assurance Framework |
| LSA | Local Service Agreement |
| LSCB | Local Safeguarding Children Board |
| LSP (1) | Local Service Provider |
| LSP (2) | Local Strategic Partnership |
| LTA | Long-Term Agreement |
| LTC | Long Term Conditions |
| LTP | Long Term Plan |
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| **M** |  |
| MAC | Medical Advisory Committee |
| MAH | Mark Allen Health |
| MARS | Mutually Agreed Resignation Scheme |
| MASH | Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub |
| MAU | Medical Assessment/Admission Unit |
| MCA | Mental Capacity Act |
| MCDR | Multiple-Case Depth Research |
| MCN | Managed Clinical Network |
| MCO | Managed Care Organisation |
| MDA | Medical Device Alert |
| MDG | Medical Directorate Group |
| MDT | Multi-Disciplinary Team |
| MDHU | Ministry of Defence Hospital Unit |
| MEA | Modern Equivalent Asset |
| MEE | Medical Education England |
| MEM | Medical Equipment Management |
| MFM | Medicine for Members |
| MeSH | Medical Subject Headings |
| MFD | Multi- Functional Device/Printer |
| MHAC | Mental Health Act Commission |
| MHN | Mental Health Network |
| MHRA | Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency |
| MIG | Minor Improvement Grant |
| MIU | Minor Injuries Unit |
| MOJ | Ministry of Justice |
| MMR | Measles Mumps Rubella |
| MMS | Making Medicines Safer |
| MRC | Medical Research Council |
| MRI | Magnetic Resonance Imaging |
| MRSA | Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus |
| MTC | Major Trauma Centre |
| MTO | Medical Technical Officer |
| MTS | (NHS) Management Training Scheme |
| MUST | Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool |
| MWIA | Mental Well-Being Impact Assessment |
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| **N** |  |
| NA | Nurse Assistant |
| NAG | National Advisory Group |
| NAGCAE | National Advisory Group on Clinical Audit and Enquiries |
| NAI | Non-Accidental Injury |
| NALW | National Association of Link Workers |
| NAMPS | National Association of Medical Personnel Specialists |
| NAO | National Audit Office |
| NAPC | National Association of Primary Care |
| NARU | National Ambulance Resilience Unit |
| NASP | National Application Service provider |
| NBAP | National Booked Admissions Programme |
| NBM | Nil by Mouth |
| NCAF | National Clinical Audit Form |
| NCAPOP | National Clinical Audit and Patients’ Outcomes Programme |
| NCAS | National Clinical Assessment Service |
| NCASP | National Clinical Audit Support Programme |
| NCD | National Clinical Director |
| NCEPOD | National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death |
| NCG | National Commissioning Group |
| NCI | National Centre for Involvement |
| NCIN | National Cancer Intelligence Network |
| NCM | New Care Models |
| NCRS (1) | National Cancer Registry Service |
| NCRS (2) | NHS Care Records Service |
| NCSC | National Cyber Security Centre |
| NCVO | National Council for Voluntary Organisations |
| NDA | National Diabetes Audit |
| NED | Non-Executive Director |
| NEF | New Economics Foundation |
| NEG | Nurse Executive Group |
| NEL | Non-Elective |
| NEMS | National Event Management Service |
| NES | National Enhanced Services |
| NFR | Not for Resuscitation |
| NG | NICE Guideline |
| NGD | National Data Guardian |
| NHS | National Health Service |
| NHSBSA | NHS Business Authority Services |
| NHSBT | NHS Blood and Transplant |
| NHSCC | NHS Clinical Commissions |
| NHSD | NHS Digital |
| NHSE | NHS Employers/Employees |
| NHSFT | NHS Foundation Trust |
| NHSI | NHS Improvement |
| NHSIC | NHS Information Centre |
| NHSIG | NHS Improving Quality |
| NHSLA | NHS Litigation Authority |
| NHSOF | NHS Outcomes Framework |
| NHSPS | NHS Pension Scheme |
| NHSRA | NHS Registration Authority |
| NHSSC | NHS Supply Chain |
| NHST | NHS Trust |
| NIC | National Insurance Contribution |
| NICE | National Institute for Health and Care Excellence |
| NICU | Neonatal Intensive Care Unit |
| NIGB | National Information Governance Board |
| NIHR | National Institute for Health Research |
| NIMHE | National Institute for Mental Health in England |
| NJR | National Joint Registry |
| NKDA | No Known Drug Allergies |
| NLF | National Loans Funds |
| NLPH | National Library for Public Health |
| NMC | Nursing and Midwifery Council |
| NNCPS | National Network of Clinical Procurement Specialists |
| NNU | Neonatal Unit |
| NOCRI | National Office for Clinical Research Infrastructure |
| NOF | New Opportunities Fund |
| NOG | National Oversight Group (for high-security hospitals) |
| NORS | National Organ Retrieval Service |
| NPDG | National PALS Development Group |
| NPFIT | National Programme for Information Technology (in the NHS) |
| NPG | National Priorities Guidance |
| NPRAS | National Patient Record Analysis Service |
| NPSA | National Patient Safety Agency |
| NQAT | Nursing Quality Assessment Tool |
| NQB | National Quality Board |
| NQPA | Newly Qualified Physician Associate |
| NQR | National Quality Requirement |
| NRCI | National Reference Cost Index |
| NRES | National Research Ethics Group |
| NRLS | National Reporting and Learning System |
| NSAID | Non-Steroidal Inflammatory Drug |
| NSC | National Screening Committee |
| NSCG | National Specialist Commissioning Group |
| NSF | National Service Framework |
| NSLS | National Standards Local Strategy |
| NSR | Next Stage Review |
| NSRC | National Schedule of Reference Costs |
| NTA | National Treatment Agency (for Substance Misuse) |
| NTAC | NHS Technology Adoption Centre |
| NTAG | National Tariff Advisory Group (NHS England) |
| NTDA | NHS Trust Development Authority |
| NTO | National Training Organisation |
| NVQ | National Vocational Qualification |
| NWP | (NHS) National Workforce Projects |
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| **O** |  |
| OAT | Out-of-Area Treatment |
| OBC | Outline Business Case |
| OBP | Outcome Based Payment |
| OCPA | Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments |
| OCS | Office for Civil Service |
| OD | Organisational Development |
| ODN | Operational Delivery Network |
| ODP | Operating Department Practitioner |
| ODS | Organisational Data Service |
| OGC | Office of Government Commerce |
| OHB | Occupational Health Building |
| OHE | Office of Health Economics |
| OHID | Office for Health Improvement and Disparities |
| OJEU | Official Journal of the European Union |
| OLS | Office for Life Sciences |
| OM | Operating Model |
| OMB | Operational Management Board |
| OMG | Operational Management Group |
| ONS | Office for National Statistics |
| OP | Outpatient |
| OPA | Outpatient Appointment |
| OPCS | Office of Population Censuses and Surveys |
| OPD | Outpatient Department |
| OPG | Office of Paymaster General |
| OPMH | Older People Mental Health |
| OPROC | Outpatient Procedure |
| OSC | (Local Authority) Overview and Scrutiny Committee |
| OSCHR | Office for Strategic Coordination of Health Research |
| OSHA | Office of the Strategic Health Authorities |
| OT | Occupational Therapist/Therapy |
| OTC | Over the Counter |
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| **P** |  |
| PA (1) | Personal Assistant |
| PA (2) | Physician Assistant |
| PAB | Professional Advisory Board |
| PAC | (House of Commons) Public Accounts Committee |
| PACS | Picture Archiving and Communications System |
| PACU | Post Anaesthesia Care Unit |
| PAF | Performance Assessment Framework |
| PALS | Patient Advice and Liaison Service |
| PAM | Patient Activation Measure |
| PAMVR | Physician Associate Managed Voluntary Register |
| PAR | Patient at Risk |
| PAS | Patient Administration System |
| PASLU | (NICE) Patient Access Scheme Liaison Unit |
| PBAC | Position Based Access Control |
| PBC | Practice Based Commissioning |
| PBS | Positive Behavioural Support |
| PC | Personal Computer |
| PCA | Patient Care Assistant |
| PCC | Patient Care Coordinator |
| PCCC | Primary Care Commissioning Committee |
| PCDG | Primary Care Data Gathering Programme |
| PCF | Patient Choice Facilitator |
| PCIP | Primary Care Investment Plan |
| PCN | Primary Care Network |
| PCO | Primary Care Organisation |
| PCP | Person Centred Plan |
| PCT | Primary Care Trust |
| PCTPS | Primary Care Trust Provided Services |
| PDF | Portable Document Format |
| PDN | Practice Development Nurse |
| PDP | Personal Development Plan |
| PDR | Performance Development Review |
| PEM | Paediatric Emergency Medicine |
| PHB | Personal Health Budget |
| PHE | Public Health England |
| PHM | Population Health Management |
| PHO | Public Health Observatory |
| PHOF | Public Health Outcomes Framework |
| PHR (1) | Personal Health Records |
| PHR (2) | Public Health Research |
| PICU | Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit |
| PIFU | Patient Initiated Follow Up |
| PIG | Policy Implementation Guide |
| PIPOT | Persons in Positions of Trust |
| PLATO | Postgraduate Learning and Teaching Online |
| PLCV | Procedures of Limited Clinical Value |
| PLS | Patient Liaison Service |
| PMG (1) | Performance Management Group |
| PMG (2) | Process and Methods Guidelines (NICE) |
| PMI | Private Medical Insurance |
| PMS | Personal Medical Services |
| PNA | Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment |
| POAC | Pre-Operative Assessment Clinic |
| POC | Package of Care |
| POCT | Point of Care Testing |
| PODP | Principal Operating Department Practitioner |
| POM | Prescription Only Medicines |
| POSHH | Partnership for Occupational Safety and Health in Healthcare |
| PP | Paramedic Practitioner |
| PPC (1) | Patient Pathway Coordinator |
| PPC (2) | (Prescription) Pre-Payment Certificate |
| PPE | Personal Protective Equipment |
| PPF | Priorities and Planning Framework |
| PPG | Patient Participation Group |
| PPIC | Private Patient Income Cap |
| PPO | Preferred Provider Organisation |
| PPP | Public-Private Partnership |
| PPRS | Pharmaceutical Price Regulation Scheme |
| PPU | Private Patient Unit |
| PR | Public Relations |
| PRB | Pay Review Body |
| PRA | Public Records Act |
| PRCC | Principles and Rules for Cooperation and Competition |
| PRF | Patient Report Form |
| PRP | Policy Research Programme |
| PRSB | Professional Record Standards Body |
| PS | Protected Services |
| PSA (1) | Professional Standards Authority for Health and Social Care |
| PSA (2) | Public Service Agreement |
| PT | Patient |
| PTS | Patient Transport Service |
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| **Q** |  |
| QA | Quality Assurance |
| QAR | Quarterly Active Returns |
| QGAF | Quality Governance Assurance Framework |
| QI | Quality Improvement |
| QIA | Quality Impact Assessment |
| QIS | Qualified in Speciality |
| QMAS | Quality Management and Analysis System |
| QNI | Queen’s Nursing Institute |
| QOF | Quality and Outcomes Framework |
| QR | Quarterly Review |
| QS | Quality Standard (NICE) |
| QSG | Quality Surveillance Group |
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| **R** |  |
| R&D | Research and Development |
| RA | Registration Authority |
| RAB | Resource Accounting and Budgeting |
| RAG | Red Amber Green Assessment Rating |
| RBAC | Role Based Access Control |
| RC | Reference Cost |
| RCA | Root Cause Analysis |
| RCD | Research Capacity Development |
| RCGP | Royal College of General Practitioners |
| RCM | Royal College of Midwives |
| RCN | Royal College of Nursing |
| RCOA | Royal College of Anaesthetists |
| RCOG | Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists |
| RCOT | Royal College of Occupational Therapists |
| RCP | Royal College of Physicians |
| RCS | Royal College of Surgeons |
| RCSLT | Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists |
| RCT | Randomised Controlled Trial |
| RD | Registered Dietician |
| RDAG | Rare Diseases Advisory Group |
| REF | Research and Excellence Framework |
| RESPECT | Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment |
| RFID | Radio Frequency Identification |
| RGN | Registered General Nurse |
| RIC | Rapid Improvement Cell |
| RIDDOR | Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulation |
| RILD | Research Innovation and Learning Development |
| RIS | Radiology Information System |
| RITS | Request for Information Technology Services |
| RM | Risk Management |
| RMN | Registered Mental Health Nurse |
| RN | Registered Nurse |
| RNLD | Registered Nurse Learning Disability |
| RO | Responsible Officer |
| ROA | Return on Assets |
| RPA | Radiation Protection Adviser Service |
| RPIW | Rapid Process Improvement Workshop |
| RPS | Royal Pharmaceutical Society |
| RRG | Rapid Reference Group |
| RRLP | Rapid Response Liaison Psychiatry |
| RRR | Rapid Responsive Review |
| RRV | Rapid Response Vehicle (Ambulance Service) |
| RST | (NHS) Revalidation Support Team |
| RTA | Road Traffic Accident |
| RTT | Referral to Treatment |
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| **S** |  |
| SAFA | Safeguarding Adults From Abuse |
| SALT | Speech And Language Therapy |
| SAM | Society for Acute Medicine |
| SAP | Single Assessment Process |
| SAR | Subject Access Request |
| SARS | Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome |
| SAU | Surgical Assessment Unit |
| SBS | (NHS) Shared Business Services |
| SCCI | Standardisation Committee for Care Information |
| SCG | Specialised Commissioning Group |
| SCIE | Social Care Institute for Excellence |
| SCN | Strategic Clinical Network |
| SCR | Summary Care Record |
| SDEC | Surgical Same Day Emergency Care |
| SDF | Service Development Facilitator |
| SDIP | Service Development and Improvement Plan |
| SDM | Service Development Manager |
| SDMA | Surgical Dressing Manufacturers Association |
| SDO | Service Delivery and Organisation |
| SDT | Service Development Team |
| SDU | (NHS) Sustainable Development Unit |
| SEIF | Social Enterprise Investment Fund |
| SFC | Skills for Care |
| SFH | Skills for Health |
| SG | Steering Group |
| SHA | Strategic Health Authority |
| SHMI | Summary Hospital Mortality Indicator |
| SHO | Senior House Officer |
| SHREWD | Single Health Resilience Early Warning Database |
| SHRINE | Strategic Human Resources Information Network |
| SI | Serious Incident |
| SID | Society for Information Display |
| SIGN | Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network |
| SIP | Strategic Improvement Plan |
| SIRI | Serious Incident Requiring Investigation |
| SIRO | Senior Information Risk Owner |
| SIRS | Serious Incident Reporting System |
| SLA | Service Level Agreement |
| SLT | Speech and Language Therapist/Therapy |
| SMAC | Standing Medical Advisory Committee |
| SMDU | Strategic Market Development Unit (Department of Health) |
| SNOD | Specialist Nurse for Organ Donation |
| SNOMED | Systematised Nomenclature of Medicine |
| SOP | Standard Operating Procedure |
| SOR | Society of Radiographers |
| SPA | Single Point of Access |
| SPC (1) | Statistical Process Control |
| SPC (2) | Specialist Palliative Care |
| SPG | Strategic Planning Group |
| SPMS | Specialist Provider of Medical Services |
| SPOR | Single Point of Referral |
| SPR | Specialist Registrar |
| SPLW | Social Prescribing Link Workers |
| SRO | Senior Responsible Officer |
| SSA | Standard Spending Assessment |
| SSI | Surgical Site Infection |
| SSRB | Senior Salaries Review Body |
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| **T** |  |
| TA | Technology Appraisal Guidance (NICE) |
| TAG | Technical Advisory Group |
| TARN | Trauma Audit and Research Network |
| TDA | Trust Development Authority |
| TEG | Trust Executive Group |
| TFT | Thyroid Function Test |
| TGB | Transformation Guiding Board |
| THCA | The Health Creation Alliance |
| TMG | Theatre Management Group |
| TNA (1) | Training Needs Analysis |
| TNA (2) | Training Nurse Associate |
| TOC (1) | Table of Contents |
| TOC (2) | Transfer of Care |
| TOR | Terms of Reference |
| TPR | Temperature, Pulse and Respiration |
| TQAT | Theatres Quality Assessment Tool |
| TSA | Trust Special Administrator |
| TTA | To Take Away (UK medications supplied on discharge) |
| TTL | Trauma Team Leader |
| TTO | To Take Out (Drugs on discharge from hospital) |
| TTOM | To Take Out Medicine |
| TUC | Trades Union Congress |
| TUPE | Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 1981 |
| TVN | Tissue Viability Nurse |
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| **U** |  |
| UAG | User Advisory Group |
| UCAS | Universities College Admission Service |
| UCB | Urgent Care Board |
| UCC | Urgent Care Centre |
| UEC | Urgent and Emergency Care |
| UECC | Urgent and Emergency Care Centre |
| UECN | Urgent and Emergency Care Network |
| UGM | Unit General Manager |
| UKBA | UK Border Agency |
| UKCC (1) | UK Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting |
| UKCC (2) | UK Cochrane Centre |
| UKCRC | UK Clinical Research Collaboration |
| UKCRN | UK Clinical Research Network |
| UKGAAP | UK Generally Accepted Accounting Principles |
| UKTSSA | UK Live Transplant Regulatory Authority |
| ULR | Union Learning Representative |
| USAR | Urban Search and Rescue |
| UTC | Urgent Treatment Centre |
| UTH | University Teaching Hospital |
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| **V** |  |
| VC | Vice Chairman |
| VCOD | Vaccination as Condition of Deployment |
| VCS | Voluntary and Community Sector |
| VCSE | Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise |
| VFM | Value for Money |
| VI | Virtual Integration |
| VMI | Virginia Mason Institute |
| VMMC | Virginia Mason Medical Centre |
| VR | Virtual Reality |
| VSC | Voluntary Service Co-Ordinator |
| VSSC | Value Stream Sponsor Team |
| VTR | Vocational Training Record |
| VTS | Vocational Training Scheme |
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| **W** |  |
| WAHT | Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust |
| WHCT | Worcestershire Health and Care NHS trust |
| WCC | World Class Commissioning |
| WDES | Workforce Disability Equality Standard |
| WFP | Working for Patients |
| WHCT | Worcestershire Health Care Trust |
| WHIS | Women's Health Information Service |
| WHL | Worcester Health Library |
| WHO | World Health Organisation |
| WIC | Walk In Centre |
| WRAPS | Wellness Recovery Action Plans |
| WRES | Workforce Race Equality Standard |
| WRH | Worcester Royal Hospital |
| WRT | Workforce Review Team |
| WSI | Whole Systems Improvement |
| WTD | Working Time Directive |
| WTE | Whole Time Equivalent |
| WTEP | Whole Time Equivalent Posts |
| WTI | Waiting Time Initiative |
| WTR | Working Time Regulations |
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| **Y** |  |
| YTD | Year to Date |
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