

# NHS England Update

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# Starting Well – a Smile 4 Life initiative

- Blackburn with Darwen
- Blackpool
- Bolton
- Ealing
- Kingston upon Hull,
- Leicester
- Luton
- Middlesbrough
- Oldham
- Rochdale
- Salford
- Slough
- Wakefield



# The programme intends to complement:

- Existing NHS England DCO local prevention initiatives
- Local Authority public health led initiatives
- The work of the Child Oral Health Improvement Programme Board and
- The programme of dental contract reform.



# Next steps

- Launch events across September 2017
- Implementation packs for LDN chairs and Commissioners inclusive of:

Programme brief

Finance tool and covering brief

Evaluation/monitoring pack

Service Specification

Contract Variation

Eligibility criteria

Interventions

Business Case

Interventions

Training modules



# Commissioning Capacity

- 2 pilots are running with West Midlands an KSS
- Focused on end of year procedure and mid year
- Contracts have been prioritised in terms of complexity of understanding:
  - Straight forward contracts NHSBSA to deal with in totality local knowledge not required
  - Some elements of complexity NHSBSA to liaise with DCO
  - Complex contracts to be dealt with at DCO level.



**Thank you**

