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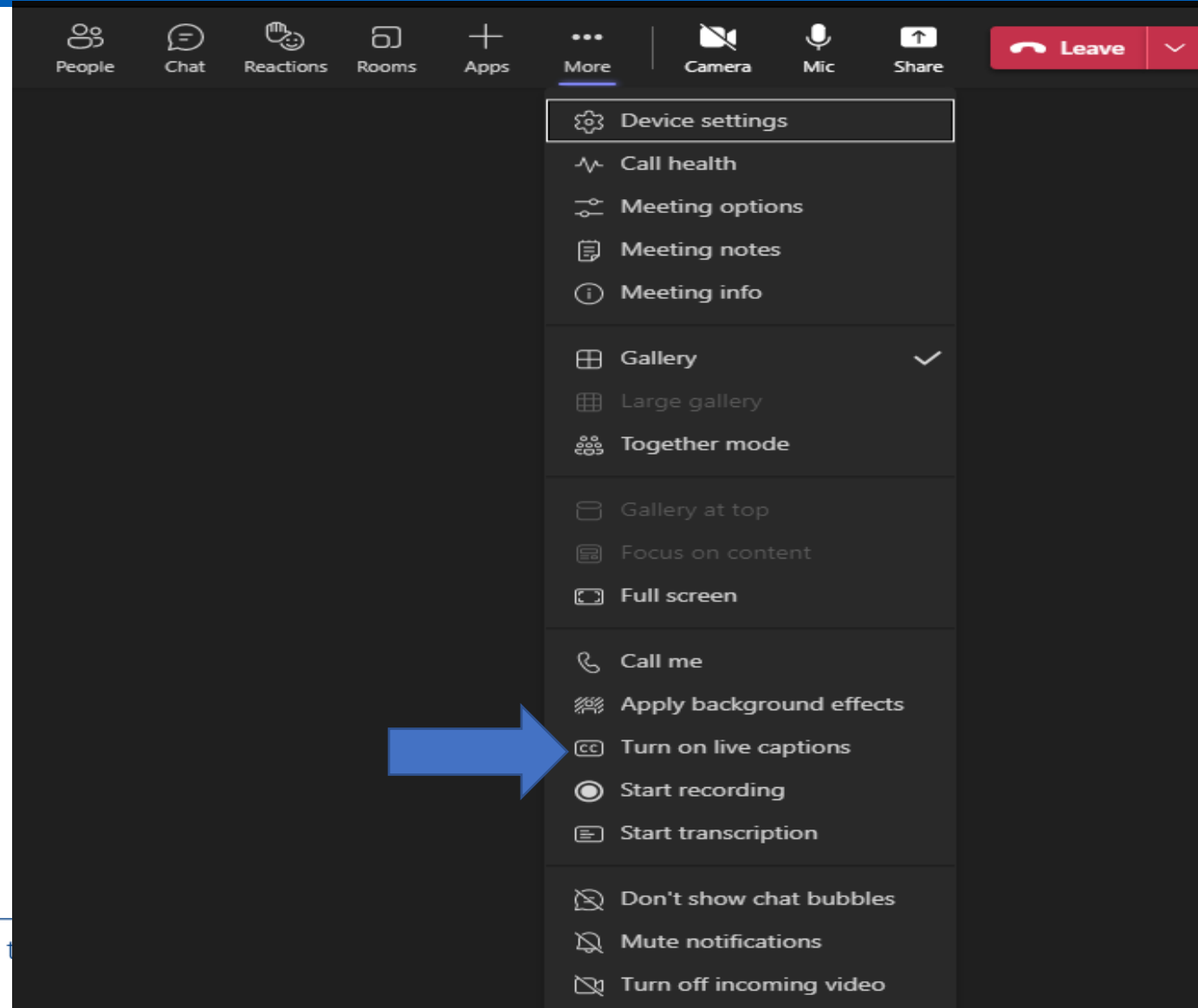
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Supporting the public with health choices:

Easy read guides and health literacy training for all







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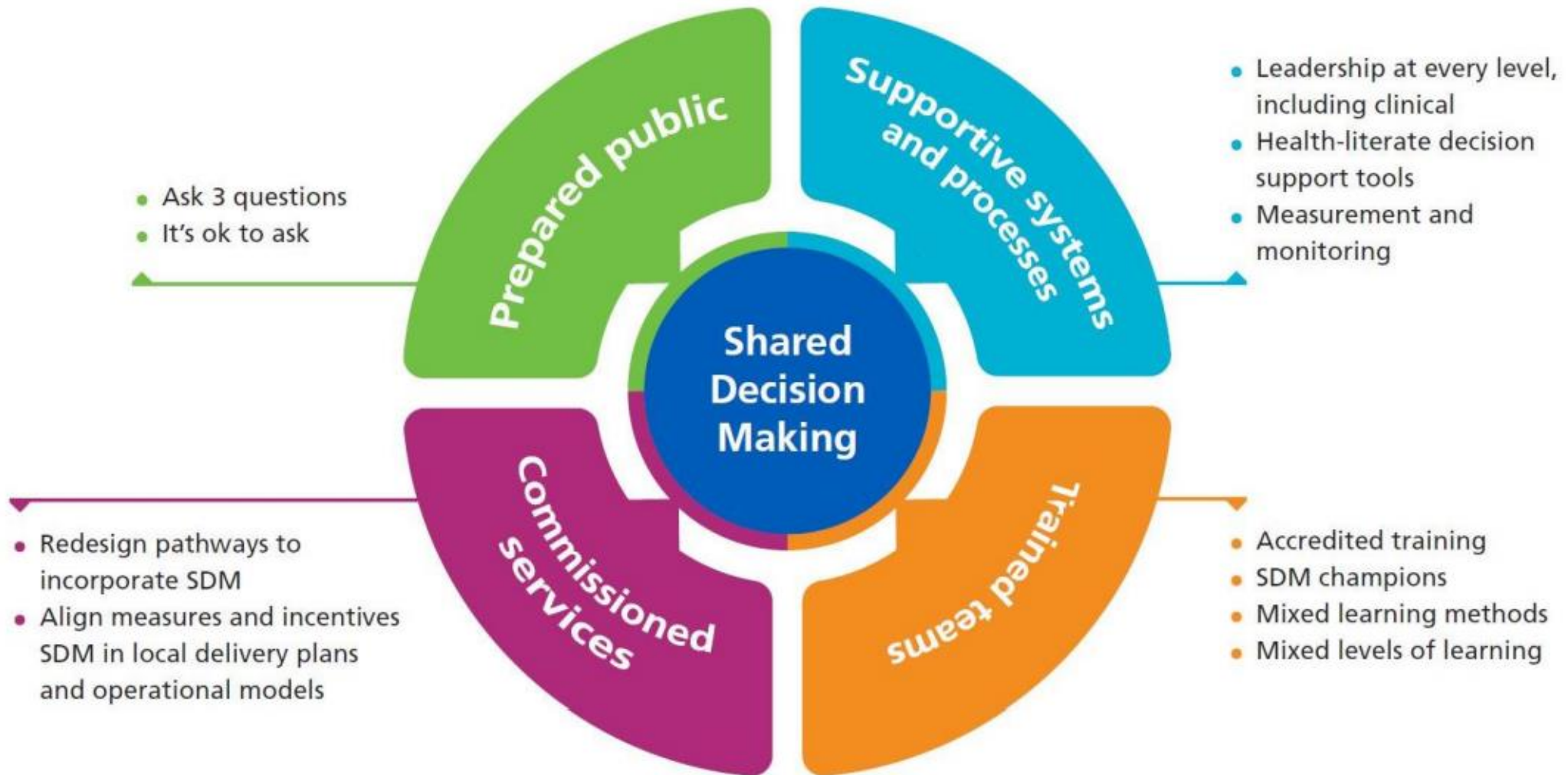
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When you speak to a **health professional** you might need to make **important choices** about **your healthcare**.

What good shared decision making looks like – for the system

Figure 1: NHS England shared decision making Implementation Framework



Levers for shared decision making



NICE Shared Decision Making Guidance:
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng197/resources/shared-decision-making-pdf-66142087186885>

Accessible Information Standard
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/about/equality/equality-hub/patient-equalities-programme/equality-frameworks-and-information-standards/accessibleinfo/>

Role of patient information in shared decision making

1.3.5 Organisations should ensure their facilities and systems support staff to provide patient decision aids in multiple ways to suit people's needs, for example, printed or online and available in different languages and formats.

1.3.2 Only use a patient decision aid if it is:

- quality assured and reflects evidence-based best practice
- relevant to that discussion and the decision that needs to be made
- relevant to that clinical setting.

Health and digital literacy: national challenge

Patients, carers and members of the public who access, understand, appraise and use health information have better health-related outcomes.

1 in 6

1 in 6 adults struggle with literacy

6 Million

Cannot switch on a digital device without help

Health literacy levels in England

43%

43% adults aged **16-65** cannot understand word-based health information sufficiently well to make health decisions.

61%

Where numbers are added in, **61%** of adults are unable to understand and act on the information.

Health Literacy: local variation

Borough-level geodata commissioned by HEE from University of Southampton:

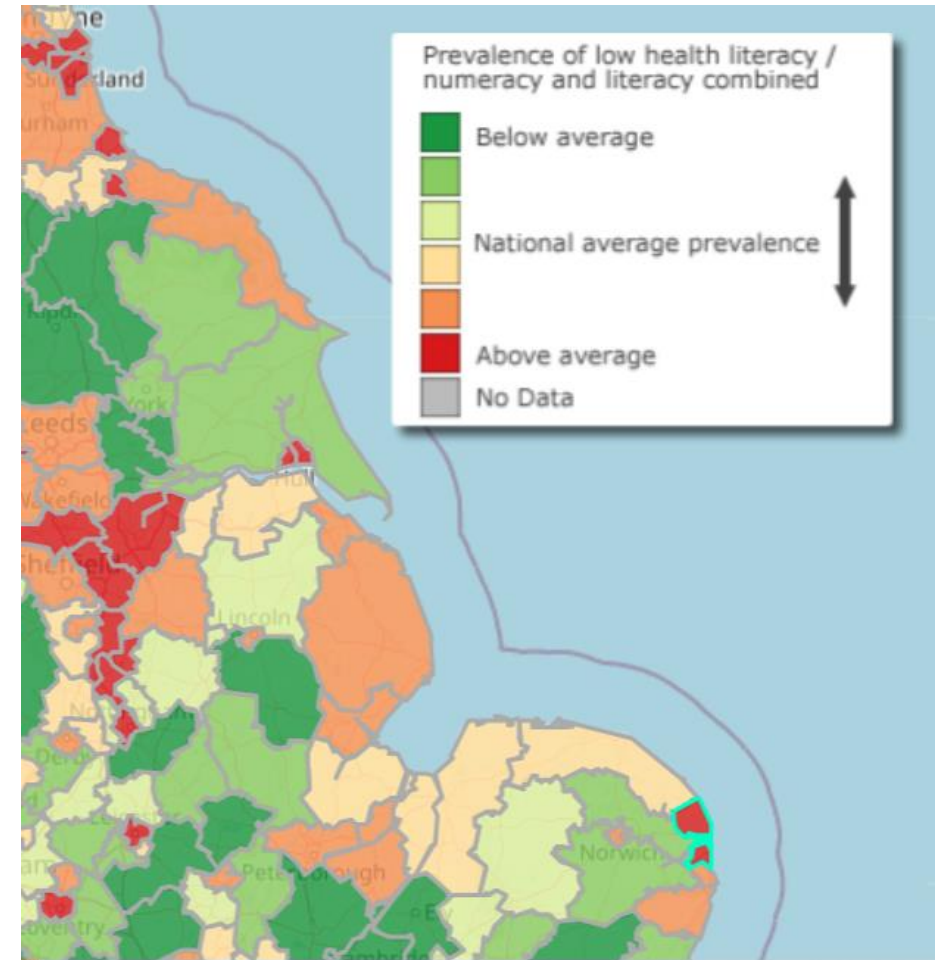
<http://healthliteracy.geodata.uk/>

Variation (% struggling words and numbers):

Best - South Cambridgeshire: 46.11%

Worst - Newham: 81.75%

Significant issue in rural and coastal areas

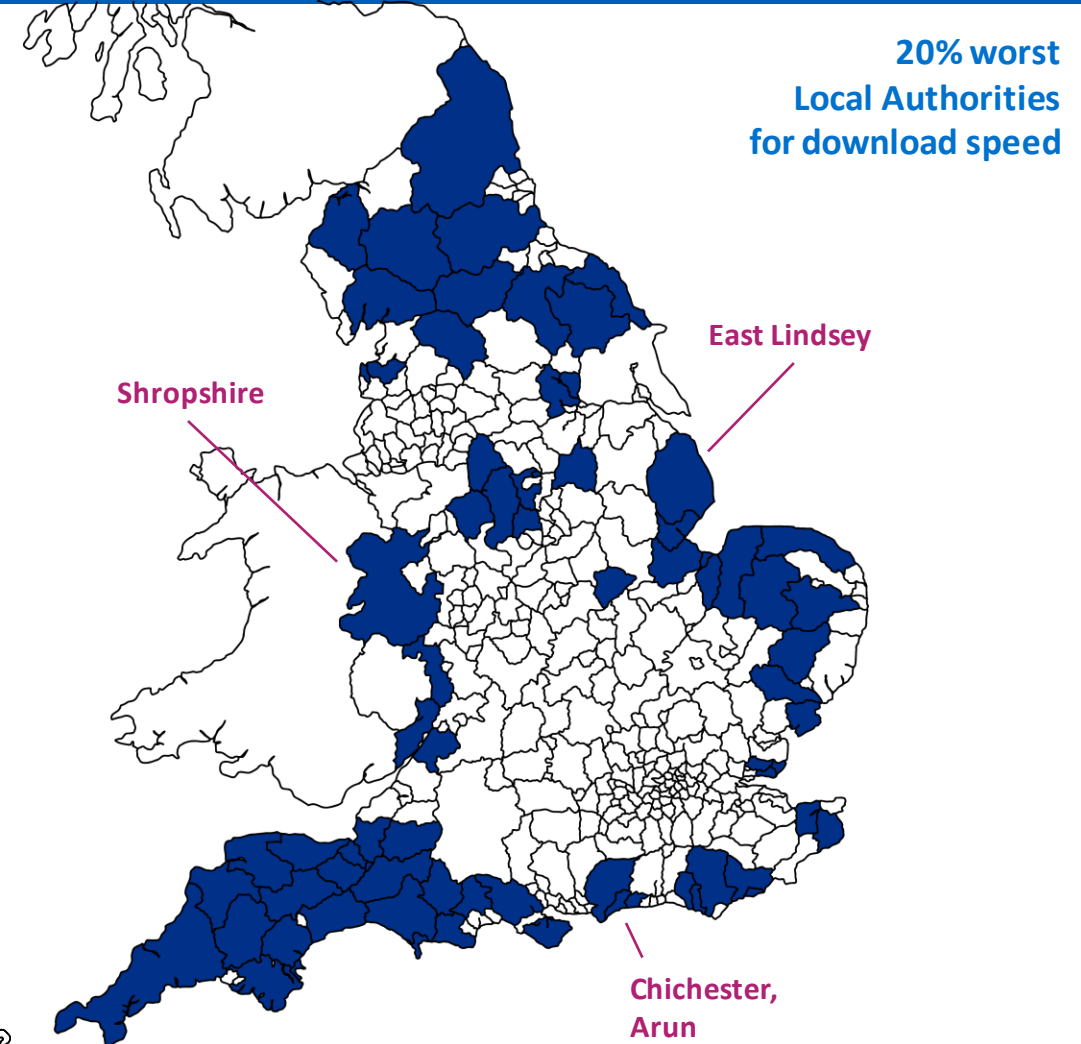


Digital Connectivity: download speed

The 20% worst local authorities for download speeds are found in **rural areas** where the problem of ‘last-mile’ connectivity is most pronounced, such as:



- the South-West peninsula,
- rural Northern England,
- Shropshire and the Welsh Borders,
- many parts of Eastern England,
- more rural parts of the South Coast.

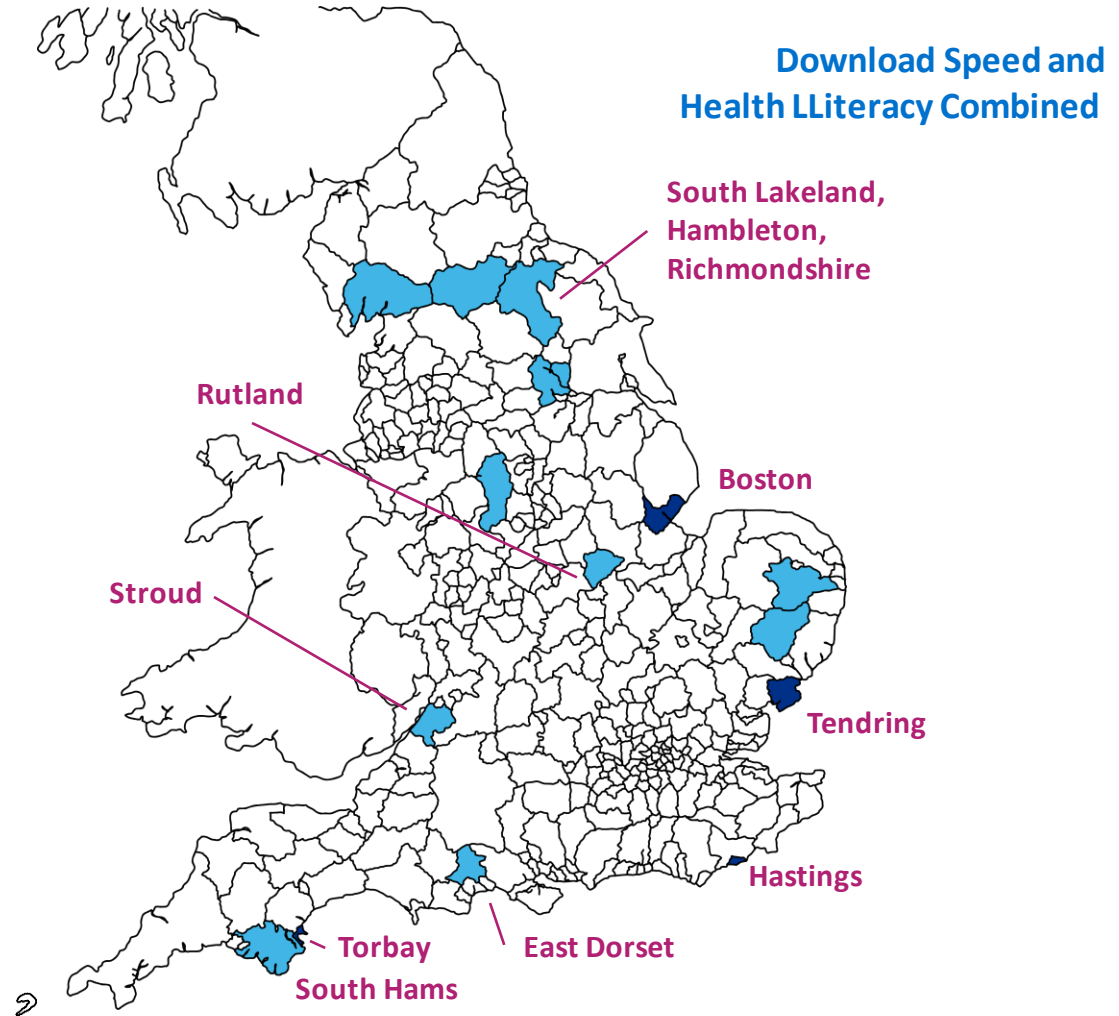
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Health Literacy and Digital Connectivity: overlap

- The overlap between the 20% worst local authorities for health literacy and the 20% worst local authorities for digital access show how:
 - Poor digital access can **limit** the benefits of the highest levels of health literacy.
 - Poor digital access can **compound** the impact of the lowest levels of health literacy.

-  Lowest download speed but highest Health Literacy
-  Lowest download speed and lowest Health Literacy



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People with a learning disability have worse physical and mental health than people without a learning disability

People with a learning disability are significantly more likely to die from an avoidable cause



I can use my good and bad experience of healthcare to make services better for everyone and make changes for everybody

It was great how we worked on this project because the experts by experience shaped the leaflets

I felt very included and listened tothe leaflet was based on our lived experience, not just professionals

Preparing for a health conversation 1

- How to prepare to ask questions
- Reminder you can take someone with you if wanted
- Checklist to see if healthcare professionals are
 - Speaking at a speed that is right for you
 - Using words you understand
 - Addressing you directly unless you have given permission to do otherwise

<https://southlks.libguides.com/c.php?g=671498&p=5046205>



Preparing for a health conversation 2

- Mobile phone communication preferred
- Practical hints and tips when attending a virtual consultation
- Right to receive information in a format you understand

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Other things to think about



If your appointment is online or on the telephone you might want to think about:



- Do you have a **space or room** where you can have a **private chat**?



- Have you got a **charger** for your device?



3Qs for shared decision making

The NICE guideline 197 on shared decision making includes three questions:

- What are my options?
- What are the risks and benefits or those options?
- How can I get support to help me make a decision

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- Importance of words
- Importance of pictures
- Importance of colour
- Chunking information into sections

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The 3 Questions

1. What are my choices?
2. What is **good** and **bad** about my choices?

X Remember you have a **choice** to do nothing but make sure you understand the risks.

3. Can I get **more support** to make my choice?

What are my choices?

What is good and bad about my choices?

Can I get more support to make my choice?

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3 Steps for shared decision making



1. Improve the health literacy confidence of your team for shared decision making

Core techniques (in line with NICE shared decision- making guidance):

- Teach Back
- Chunk and Check
- Simple language or pictures

Free 35-minute eLearning programme

Action plan to include in CPD file

<https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/healthliteracy/>



Jointly developed by NHS Education for Scotland and Health Education England

2. Be sure of your evidence base

High-quality patient information should not duplicate what already exists, be developed with user involvement, evidence based and reviewed regularly

<https://pifonline.org.uk/resources/publications/>

NICE shared decision-making guidance requires evidence-based patient information

Local NHS knowledge and library services can support you to identify, appraise and embed the evidence

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3. Share resources

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Getting ready for a talk about your health







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