<u>Climate Smart Healthcare</u> <u>Resilience</u>

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What is Resilience?







Resilience is the ability to recover from or adjust easily to misfortune or change.

It is often linked to emotional strength.



What is the role of healthcare practitioners in raising awareness about the impacts of climate change within their patient populations?

What strategies can the healthcare sector adopt to support communities to become more resilient to climate change?



Effecting change and building resilience

Individual

Community and Partnerships

National/International



The role of healthcare practitioners in raising awareness about the impact of climate change within their patient populations



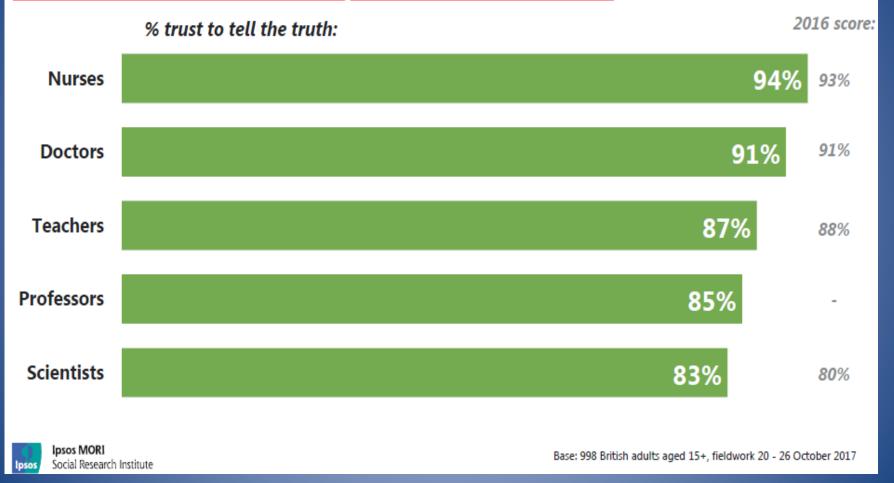


Climate Change, Biodiversity Loss and Pollution are the greatest public health threats we have ever faced... but also our greatest opportunity





The five most trusted professions, 2017



Individual level

- Is it ever discussed in patient consultation?
- Does it affect the advice you give?
- Patient facing materials available in waiting rooms?
- Visible support for the Climate Strikes?





CAPE Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environmen

In Canada, almost 20 000 deaths each year are linked to air pollution.

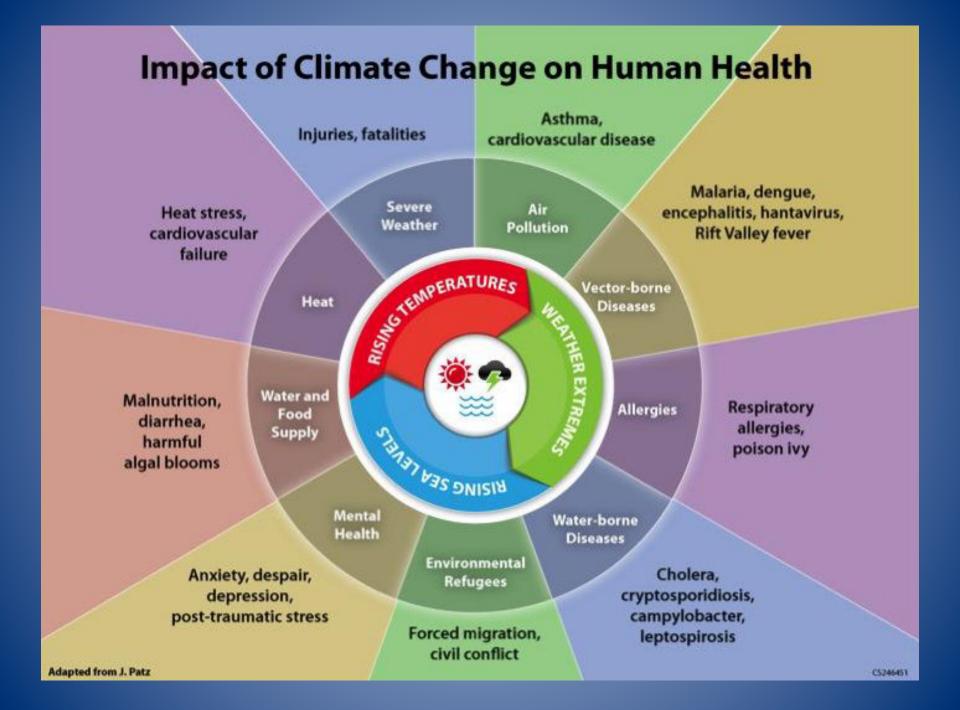
We can help prevent them.

On Sept 27, the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE) is supporting Fridays for Future student leaders to call for effective climate action.

Find out more at cape.ca/events/doctors-for-future

Protect our health from climate change | #doctorsforfuture

How do we present information?



In the UK

- By 2030 we will see 7000 additional deaths annually in the UK from heat stress.
- 5 million people live in flood prone areas. After the 2007 floods we saw a 5 fold increase in MH problems
- Transport accounts for 26% of emissions
- This is directly linked to 40,000 premature deaths annually in the uk due to air pollution







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<u>Community level</u>

- Lead by example
- Developing place based approach
- Build a focus on prevention
- Work with local PH colleagues/ Health and Wellbeing Boards.
- Role of Social Prescribing
- Declaration of Climate Emergency





One Northern Devon Our place based approach

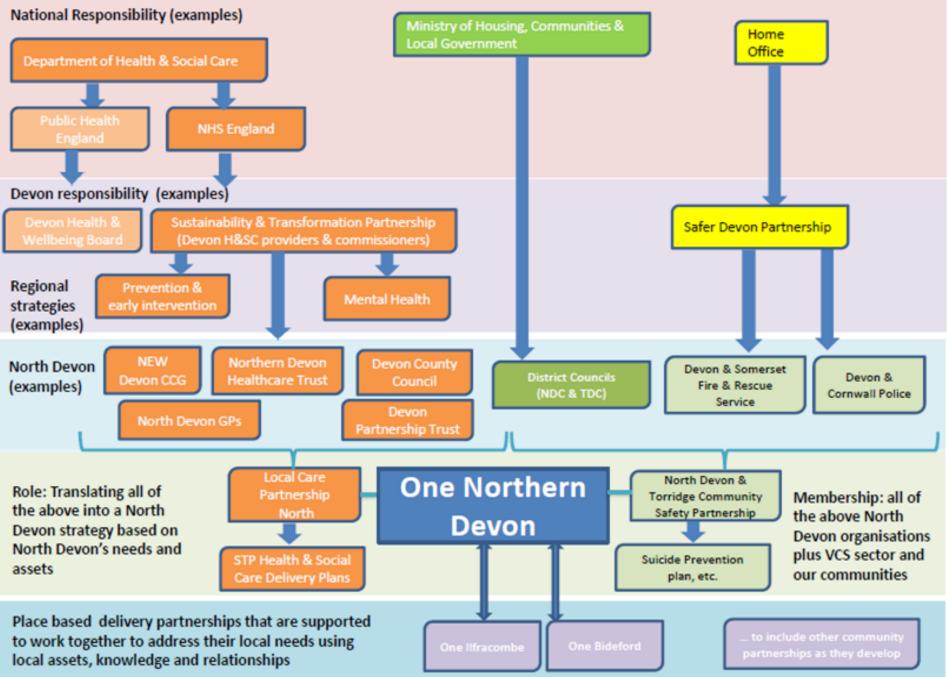


Healthy people living healthy lives supported by connected communities.

Living in resilient, healthy, nourishing natural environments



One Northern Devon context



The Role of Social Prescribing in building resilience





Disconnected communities



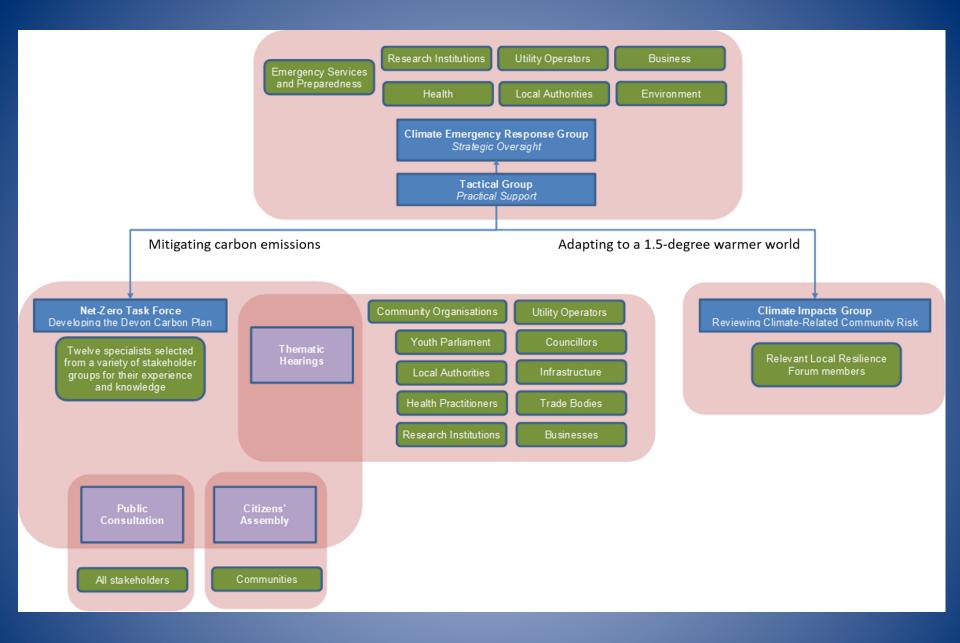


Connected communities



Climate Emergency Declaration

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Summary

- Lead by example, Climate Change is core business
- Health as an anchor institution
- Move from illness model to wellness model with focus on prevention
- Use the levers of potential health impacts to embed environmental sustainability in local policy
- Connected leadership approach Councils/Local plans/ LEP/LNP/STP/ CCG/LCP/PCN etc



Personal challenges

- Imposter syndrome
- Tribe time
- Knowledge doesn't change behaviour
- Power of story
- Some people will arrive late to the party!





Honesty

Humility

Humour

Courage

Thanks for listening @Drjamesszy

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Useful links

- <u>Climate Smart Healthcare</u>
- Clinicians guide to the Planetary Health Emergency
- Devon Climate Emergency implementation plans
- **Devon Nature Partnership Naturally Healthy**

