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# Foreword

As partners in championing this ambition, the North West Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Assembly (the Assembly) and NHS England (NHSE) North West believe that the NHS in our region should be unapologetically anti-racist. We also believe that the NHS should take positive action to eliminate racism in our organisations, stand with our colleagues when they experience racism, and eradicate the inequalities in access, outcomes and experience of health care that some of our communities face.

This document provides a framework for all NHS organisations across the North West to work towards the ambition of becoming actively anti-racist organisations. It aims to embrace both the spirit of our commitments and provide NHS organisations with guidance to put into action quickly, the steps needed to reduce the inequalities we still see every day across our workforce and to become intentionally anti-racist.

We all recognise the history and impact of institutional racism across our organisations and the harm caused to both our colleagues and communities through the continued inequalities that we still see across our society. From higher rates of bullying and harassment, disproportionate referrals into disciplinary processes, recruitment and selection where ethnicity still impacts your chance of appointment after shortlisting, all of these issues and many more needed to be tackled intentionally and as a priority by all our organisations.

We are asking our NHS partners across the North West to make a commitment to embrace the intentionally inclusive language and the approach of becoming actively anti-racist organisations. As intentionally inclusive leaders it is vital that we all look at each of the areas set out in this anti-racist framework and seek to embed the change needed to transform our own departments and teams into places where this activity is not seen as just a nice to do, but is seen as mission critical to all that we

stand for; and that messaging is backed up by senior colleagues across the region, being clear that actions to tackle inequalities are a priority in all that we do.

Leaders should use the practical steps and suggested actions to support existing change activity, to add focus to future equality action plans and to build on any long-term inclusion strategies you may have. While there is not a one size fits all solution to advancing equity within any one organisation, we hope that the guidance and structure provided will help with the task of co-creating the solutions that will work for your organisation easier.

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# Why does an intentionally anti-racist approach matter?

Racism is very real, both in society and across our NHS organisations. Yet, despite a large number of reports and pledges over the years we have seen inequalities persist and some areas even get worse.

- The NHS is built on a founding principle of equality and social justice. That the service is free at the point of need anchors the NHS in social egalitarianism and makes equal rights part of our core business.
- We have seen a growth of hate incidents and racism across our communities in the UK despite existing equality and human rights legislation. It is more important than ever that as public sector organisations, we contribute to ensuring racism has no place in our society and is addressed across the communities we serve.
- Racism and discrimination are major drivers behind the health inequalities we still see today. It is our role as a health care system to be intentional in tackling those inequalities we see across our communities, but we should also be ensuring discrimination experienced by our staff is not further contributing to the problems.

# Our anti-racism journey

Becoming an intentionally anti-racist organisation is a continuous journey that involves leaders and organisations continually reviewing their progress and being intentional about their actions for change.

The Fear, Learning, Growth Zone tool can help you both as an individual and as an organisation to consider honestly where you are on the path to become more anti-racist.

## Approaches to move through the zones

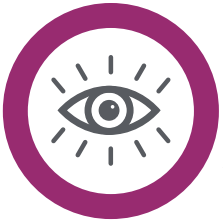


## FEAR ..... LEARNING ..... GROWTH

Provide clear factual information that challenges and supports the overcoming of any fears that individuals and teams may have with talking about racism and what is needed to address this issue.

Consider more development building on any existing learning; steps and opportunities that increase confidence with existing learning.

Empower inclusive leaders through allyship programmes and activities.



## 1. Prioritise anti-racism

As the NHS we have always been instinctively supportive of equality as social justice is the bedrock and foundation of our creation as an institution back in 1948. However, prioritising anti-racism work is more than simply caring about equality or stating support for inclusion; it is about ensuring we are giving it the same attention and response as other mission critical work we manage across the NHS.

The two main commodities we give to a task or area of work when we prioritise it are both time and resources. When equality activity is seen as an add-on or a nice to do, other mission critical work is seen as more important; time and resources are directed elsewhere and progress around tackling inequalities slows and stops.

Organisations need to commit to the principle that anti-racism work matters and their leaders need to see it as a priority for them as well. There will always be competing time and resource pressures when it comes to managing any large organisation, but anti-racist organisations understand that investing the time and resources needed to tackle the inequalities that exist across their workforce and services is more effective in the long term and will support them in meeting their other long-term goals.

### What does this look like?

#### Leading from the front

Leadership matters and while being a leader often involves the management of multiple priorities, the amount of dedicated time we give to an issue is a key indicator of how much we have prioritised that area of work.

#### Dedicated EDI Resource

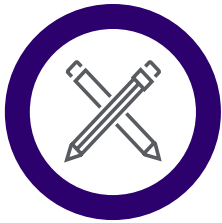
The amount of dedicated resource we have allocated to focus on an area of work is a key indicator of how much it has been prioritised. Equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) professionals are experienced experts who can support leaders with this work. They must, however, be considered an important part of the organisation's leadership for their activity to be impactful and transformational over the longer term.

#### Mission Critical

Anti-racism activity needs to be at the heart of all work across an organisation, not simply a central equality action plan. Organisations that have got this right can clearly demonstrate how anti-racist practice is considered mission critical in plans around service delivery and the development of their workforce.

#### Actions Not Words

Organisations that are committed to anti-racism do more than the minimum ask; their work is driven by a desire to transform and have a big impact on the inequalities they see. This should be clearly visible in the activity and actions of any anti-racist organisation.



## 2. Understand lived experience

It is everyone's responsibility to tackle racism not just Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic colleagues, but meaningful involvement of people who experience racism and inequalities across your organisation will ensure decisions on how to tackle it are informed by real insights that reflect the different challenges people may face.

Meaningful involvement of people you would like to share their lived experiences involves committing to acting on what you hear and embedding their voices into change focused activity and decision making. Leaders need to be intentional in seeking out lived experience perspectives and considering what may be preventing some people feeling able to be involved.

When reaching out to seek the lived experiences of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities it is important that leaders acknowledge and value intersectionality and understand the need to get more than a single person's perspective. When engaging others to hear their lived experiences, we should be intentional in ensuring we are hearing from a diverse range of voices rather than simply identifying a single individual to invite into a space.

Sharing lived experiences can have a weathering effect on people's wellbeing. Any activity that looks to involve and encourage others to share their lived experiences to support leaders and an organisation make better decisions should also include a clear and intentional focus around the wellbeing of those involved.

### What does this look like?

#### Listen and Learn

Leadership matters and while being a leader often involves the management of multiple priorities, the amount of dedicated time we give to an issue is a key indicator of how much we have prioritised that area of work.

#### Empowering Your Talent

As well as hearing the lived experiences of staff, it is important that the underutilised potential of talented leaders from ethnic minorities is considered and empowered to support decision making. A key consideration is where you can diversify the decision makers in a space and how you can ensure the full talent potential of your diverse workforce is used.

#### Growing Cultural Competency

Connecting a diverse range of lived experiences with leaders is vital to improving the cultural competency of an organisation over a longer period of time. Leaders who understand their colleagues, service users and local communities are better placed to make decisions that are fair for all.

#### Data Plus

Organisations need to be intentional about understanding the experiences of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff and service users.



## 3. Grow inclusive leaders

Inclusive leadership is vital if an organisation aims to be anti-racist in all that it does and aims to tackle the inequalities it sees across its workforce and services.

Where an organisation has a mature, inclusive leadership culture you will see diversity clearly represented at all levels across the workforce and colleagues will feel they belong and are included at work. On that journey to growing an inclusive leadership culture it is vital that there is an approach and strategy for reducing inequalities, not just at the top of the hierarchy, but also a commitment to increase diversity and reduce inequalities across middle leadership.

Too often the focus around developing Black, Asian and Minority ethnic leaders has been on providing them with more skills and academic development to help them move up to the next level in the leadership ladder; this reinforces a deficit stereotype rather than tackling the institutional racism that has been holding them back. Positive action measures should be targeted on the bias and prejudice that has led to ethnic minority colleagues not being given the opportunities to demonstrate the skills they have.

Inclusive leadership is not a destination. It is a continuous journey to look at how you can do more to reflect and own your own privilege, understand others more, act to tackle bias in the decisions you make, and ensure that change is seen as a positive step to tackle inequalities and injustice rather than simply a threat to the status quo.

### What does this look like?

#### Visibility matters

Our most senior public sector leaders should come from a wider diverse range of backgrounds and should broadly represent the communities they serve. This diversity and visibility help to build communities' trust in our institutions and also lead to better decision-making overall.

#### Where is your talent?

Understanding your talent trajectory in respect to Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic colleagues helps an organisation know where actions need to be to increase diversity and tackle departmental or structural inequalities. Diversity should be visible across all levels of an organisation.

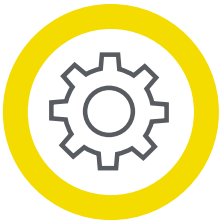
#### Levelling up middle leadership and inclusion

If we only focus development on our most senior leaders, commitment to change is often not followed through by those leaders tasked with implementing decisions across the organisation.

#### Real opportunities

For some time we have seen sending colleagues on dedicated learning programmes as the solution to under representation in leadership roles. However, it is often the case that development does not lead to an opportunity for promotion and reinforces the idea that Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic colleagues need to work harder and earn more to achieve the same as their white peers.





## 4. Act to tackle inequalities

“Let my actions speak for themselves” is a famous saying that represents the mantra by which an organisation truly committed to anti-racism needs to run.. Words alone can often become a shield through which organisations are able to justify, consciously or unconsciously, their inaction over time, and determine whether they have followed through with meaningful actions to tackle an inequality.

Initiatives like the Workforce Race Equality Standards (WRES), Model Employer plans and others are not a solution in themselves, but can be a positive tool to measure existing inequalities and target actions to have the biggest impact. These tools need to be used actively to support equality activity across an organisation rather than simply as an assurance framework completed once a year and not looked at again.

The inequalities we see across our communities today will only be addressed when organisations use their resources collectively in partnership to tackle their main causes. Building a critical mass of activity around neighbourhoods, localities and our region as a whole is key to the numerous health inequalities and social injustices that harm so many being relegated to history, instead of being a painful reality of today that many are forced to live with.

The amount of action needed to tackle inequalities is large. It reflects the generations of institutional racism and injustice developed over decades in this country. However, when viewed as mission critical and delivered through embedded priorities across all areas of an organisation's structure, the task is not insurmountable and the outcomes will be transformational for our communities as a whole.

### What does this look like?

#### More than a tick box

While assurance frameworks have at times been labelled as just a tick box for an organisation to deliver against, this does not have to be the case. Tools like the WRES and others can be used to prioritise, leverage and monitor real change. Anti-racist organisations use all the resources and tools available to them to achieve their goals of reducing inequalities and tackling discrimination.

#### Zero tolerance matters

Being anti-racist is an active stance and means more than simply not acting to do harm, but actively tackling the harm we see. Organisations that are on the journey to getting this right are clear in the zero tolerance they have for racism from anyone, including colleagues and service users. It is vital that organisations consider how they handle these types of incidents and constantly learn to do more to tackle racist abuse.

#### We do this together

Many inequalities are too big to tackle on your own as a single organisation. It is vital that organisations work in partnership to tackle the racial inequalities we see across our communities. When looking at health inequalities, NHS organisations should work with their local community and other statutory sector bodies to tackle these collectively rather than them staying in the too hard to do pile.

#### Fair and just

The processes that exist across an organisation to look at grievances and disciplinarys for staff should feel fair and equitable for all. Where this is not the case, the outcomes experienced by colleagues lead to mistrust and a clear weathering effect on the wellbeing of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff.



## 5. Review progress regularly

The NHS is no stranger to performance measures and the need to be intentional about tracking progress with a clear and detailed approach.

However, when it comes to anti-racism and wider equality, diversity and inclusion activity, this often lacks the same rigour in monitoring performance as other areas of our organisations.

**Research** from the USA has shown us that one of the most important aspects to diversity and equality activity is grounding this work in social accountability and taking time to measure and be clear about whether progress is being made.

While an organisation may have implemented actions elsewhere to tackle and reduce the impact on bias within decision processes and decision making, it is vital that the same consideration is taken when reviewing an organisation's overall performance around anti-racism and equality as a whole. What this means in practice is ensuring progress is reviewed by not just the people who have led or commissioned any activity, and that there is intentional consideration to the diversity of those involved in the reviewing and monitoring progress.

The NHS is the biggest employer in the country. However, as we are split up into hundreds of separate organisations we often look inward for ideas and feedback around change. Through the work of the BAME Assembly, we in the North West have an opportunity to collaborate and ensure reviewing organisational progress is a task that we are able to support each other with; this can be done through ideas and the sharing in equal measure of success and failure to support our anti-racism journey.

### What does this look like?

#### How are we performing?

It is vital that organisations consider the management of performance around inclusion as seriously as they monitor performance of other areas of work. Leaders at all levels should understand how their area is doing in relation to key targets.

#### What is our approach?

Becoming an anti-racist organisation takes a clear intention to deliver a range of actions and measures consistently over a prolonged period of time. Understanding where the organisation is on its journey to become anti-racist is vital.

#### Our voices matter

The voices of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic people should be at the heart of an organisation considering where they are on their journey to become anti-racist. This helps ensure actions that have been meaningful and impactful are prioritised, and where progress has not been made, this is not hidden.

#### Open and transparent

To have credibility around a statement that an organisation is anti-racist, it is vital the label is not just coming from the organisation itself but that the statement is supported by the community it serves.

# The 5 anti-racist principles - Reflection questions



# Framework overview

This framework aims to support organisations on the journey to becoming intentionally and unapologetically anti-racist. The framework encourages the tackling of structural racism and discrimination through collaboration, reflective practice, accountability and action. Through the embedding of the themes, deliverables and actions outlined into structures, processes, policies and culture, organisations will create meaningful and measurable change within their workforce and service delivery.

The framework is organised into three levels of achievement: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each level builds on the next, encouraging organisations to make incremental changes and take consistent actions towards eliminating racial discrimination in their organisations.



# Bronze status

Bronze status signifies that an organisation has taken initial steps towards becoming an intentionally anti-racist organisation. These deliverables are those that embed structures and accountability for the delivery of racial equity in an organisation.

Key Drivers	Direct Deliverables	Supporting Actions
<b>Leading from the front</b>	The appointment of an executive or director level EDI sponsor with a commitment to advancing anti-racism within the organisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This senior director level EDI sponsor has a clear role description, including annual personal development performance goals related to advancing anti-racism.</li> <li>Must report as a minimum into an executive director and / or chief executive officer and be considered a part of the wider senior leadership team to facilitate and enable change on racial equity.</li> </ul>
<b>Anti-racism as Mission Critical</b>	Evidence of how the organisation has acted to make anti-racism work mission critical in the past year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An anti-racism statement to be produced and published detailing organisational commitment to racial equity.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions Not Words</b>	An organisation must have set and published at least one stretch goal that goes beyond legal or NHS assurance frameworks compliance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation of equality and inclusion KPIs with a focus on addressing race-based disparities.</li> </ul>
<b>We do this together</b>	The organisation can demonstrate progress over the last 12 months of reducing an identified health inequality.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The organisation can demonstrate working in partnership to reduce a specific health inequality through an anti-racism lens and publish progress within the organisational annual report.</li> </ul>
<b>Zero Tolerance</b>	The organisation must have communicated clearly that it takes a zero-tolerance approach to racist abuse from service users or staff members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explicit processes for addressing instances of racist abuse, discrimination and harassment should be developed within or in addition to current organisational disciplinary procedures.</li> </ul>

# Silver status

The silver status shows that organisations have embedded structures to ensure commitment and accountability towards achieving anti-racism and have also developed actions to nurture and empower Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic talent, encourage culture change, and improve data collection, quality and reporting.

Key Drivers	Direct Deliverables	Supporting Actions
<b>Empowering Your Talent</b>	Set up a local Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic leadership council within your organisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic talent is intentionally included across organisational talent programmes. Numbers should reflect the need for positive action to increase diversity within leadership roles.</li> <li>• Must have set targets and a published talent trajectory for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic representation across every level of the organisation.</li> <li>• An organisation should have a dedicated positive action secondment or stretch projects programme in place to give Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic colleagues the chance to gain experience to support with career progression.</li> </ul>
<b>Levelling Up Middle Leadership &amp; Inclusion</b>	All leaders at Band 8A and above must have a personal development plan goal agreed around equality, diversity and inclusion, and a process to report annually the percentage of these goals that have been met.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leaders / managers to identify actions and create plans within their work to advance anti-racism.</li> </ul>
<b>Growing Cultural Competency</b>	Evidence of inclusive leadership education for all executive directors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further education for leaders, including inclusive recruitment, cultural awareness / competency, inclusive leadership, equality strategy and direction.</li> <li>• 75% of executive and non-executive directors and their direct reports have been part of a racial equality reverse mentoring programme over the past three years.</li> </ul>
<b>Listen and Learn</b>	An executive director must attend Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff network meetings at least four times a year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A reciprocal arrangement with Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff network chair to attend and contribute to committee / board meetings.</li> </ul>
<b>Data Plus</b>	WRES data and workforce data disaggregated by ethnic groups to be presented at board meetings to ensure that racial disparities are monitored and addressed as a part of the business as usual.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A detailed breakdown by ethnicity of the staff survey report should be presented to the board annually, including the involvement of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff network members to ensure more than just data is presented.</li> <li>• Quarterly monitoring and review of WRES data, workforce data and action plans by executive EDI lead and presented to board and staff networks.</li> </ul>

# Gold status

To obtain Gold status, the organisation must demonstrate that anti-racism has been embedded throughout all levels of the organisation, with diverse representation at the most senior levels and parity in staff experience, as well as ensuring anti-racism is seen as everyone's business through performance and engagement.

Key Drivers	Direct Deliverables	Supporting Actions
<b>Visibility Matters</b>	An organisation's board of directors diversity by ethnicity must match closely the diversity of the local population or at the minimum include one Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic member (which ever figure is higher).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation and implementation of talent development and pipeline plan for Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic directors or associate non-executive director programme.</li> <li>• Partner with the North West Black Asian and Minority Ethnic Assembly to create a mentorship programme for Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic talent within the organisation.</li> </ul>
<b>How are we performing</b>	An organisation must use an EDI performance dashboard that is presented quarterly to board and include performance against the race disparity ratio, WRES, and other race specific targets as appropriate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisation should record and publish their ethnicity pay gap annually</li> <li>• Intersectional data collection and analysis (by ethnicity, sex, gender, disability and sexual orientation) to be published and presented annually.</li> <li>• Chairs and non-executive directors to be updated annually on the progress on anti-racism plans.</li> </ul>
<b>More than a tick box</b>	The organisation must be able to demonstrate two years of consecutive improvements against at least five WRES measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation of a cross-departmental WRES actions working group to support and challenge progress on WRES data.</li> </ul>
<b>Fair and Just</b>	The organisation can evidence diverse representation within their disciplinary and grievance processes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Freedom to Speak Up Champions within the organisation to support in incidents involving racial discrimination.</li> </ul>
<b>Our Voices Matter</b>	The organisation should bring together annually Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff to review EDI progress and any learning be built into the following year's plans.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WRES and anti-racism action plans to be co-produced with staff networks.</li> </ul>

# Regular review

Key Drivers	Deliverables	Supporting Actions
<b>What's our approach</b>	Organisations should review progress against each of the key drivers and direct deliverables within the NHS North-West Anti-Racism Framework at least annually.	Draft an annual action plan to attain initial or next accreditation that is reported on at board to ensure delivery and commitment.
<b>Open and Transparent</b>	The organisation should apply to the North West Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Assembly to receive feedback against their anti-racism framework at least every two years.	Organisations should liaise with the Assembly / their Assembly member regarding progress and support in attaining recognition.

## Support

The North-West BAME Assembly is here to support you in the implementation of this framework in your organisations.

We have a dedicated resource who can assist with strategy, queries, and troubleshooting any issues you may come across on your journey.

Please contact [england.nwbame\\_assembly@nhs.net](mailto:england.nwbame_assembly@nhs.net) to discuss further.

## Recognition

1. Assess your organisation's current progress using the self-assessment tool.
2. Draft action plan towards achieving either Bronze, Silver or Gold status, and implement necessary strategies to achieve the deliverables.
3. Apply to the North West Assembly for recognition. A small panel of Assembly members will review applications, make assessments and recognise successful organisations.



# Self-assessment tool

The self-assessment tool has been designed as an assurance checklist. The checklist should be used by organisations as they begin to implement the Anti-Racist Framework to identify which of the key deliverables from the framework are already in place and which are the development areas for the organisation.

When an organisation has identified their gaps using the checklist, actions can then be developed to support the implementation of the framework fully prior to moving towards requesting recognition.



# Anti-racist framework checklist

## Summary of direct deliverables

### Bronze

The appointment of a senior director level EDI lead with a commitment to advancing anti-racism within the organisation.

Evidence of how the organisation has acted to make anti-racism work mission critical in the past year.

An organisation must have set and published at least one stretch goal that goes beyond legal or NHS assurance frameworks compliance.

The organisation can demonstrate progress over the last 12 months of reducing an identified health inequality.

The organisation must have communicated clearly that it takes a zero-tolerance approach to racist abuse from service users or staff members.

### Silver

Set up a local BAME leadership council within your organisation.

Evidence of inclusive leadership education for all executive directors.

All leaders at Band 8A and above must have a personal development plan goal agreed around equality, diversity and inclusion and a process to report annually the percentage of these goals that have been met.

An executive director must attend Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff network meeting at least four times a year.

WRES data and workforce data disaggregated by ethnic groups to be presented at board meetings to ensure that racial disparities are monitored and addressed as a part of the business as usual.

### Gold

An organisation's board of directors' diversity by ethnicity must match closely the diversity of the local population or at the minimum include one Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic member (whichever figure is higher).

An organisation must use an EDI performance dashboard that is presented quarterly to at least a sub-group of the board and include performance against the race disparity ratio, WRES and other race specific targets.

The organisation must be able to demonstrate two years of consecutive improvements against at least five WRES measures.

The organisation can evidence diverse representation within their disciplinary and grievance processes.

The organisation should bring together annually Black, Asian and Minority ethnic staff to review EDI progress and any learning be built into the following year's plans.

# Sample action plan

Once the self-assessment is complete, an action plan to address the gaps should be developed. The action plan should identify a responsible person or team, a target completion date, and progress updates.

Level	Action	Person/ Team	Timescale	Target completion date	Progress	Comments
<b>Bronze</b>	The appointment of an executive / director level EDI sponsor.	HR	6 months		Ongoing	Proposal taken to board; nominated sponsor to be appointed at next meeting.
	Senior director level EDI sponsor has a clear role description, including annual personal development performance goals related to advancing anti-racism.	HR	12 months		Ongoing	HR to explore the addition on an anti-racism PDP goal to role descriptions; meeting to discuss progress and next steps scheduled for 07/08.
	Must report as a minimum into an executive director and / or chief executive officer and be considered a part of the wider senior leadership team to facilitate and enable change on racial equity.	HR	6 months		Ongoing	Once senior sponsor appointed, meetings with Exec directors and chief executive to be scheduled on a six monthly basis to provide updates.



To support your journey towards becoming an unapologetically anti-racist organisation, we have compiled a list of resources to assist in the development of your strategies, plans and actions.



NHS North West Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Strategic Advisory Group

National Education Union Anti Racism Framework

NHS Leadership Academy Allyship Toolkit

NHS Leadership Academy Resources on Racism

NHS Employers Resources to Tackle Racism

NHS England WRES 2022 Data Analysis Report

NHS England Patient Carer Race Equality Framework

NHS Race and Health Observatory

NHS Confederation BME Leadership Network

Change the Race Ratio Guidance - KPMG

Board Diversity More Action Less Talk

Why companies Need a Chief Diversity Officer

Competency Framework for Equality and Diversity Leadership

Diversity Management That Works - CIPD

Embed Anti-Racism in the NHS

Guide to Establishing Staff Networks - CIPD

WRES Board Briefing BAME Leadership Council Case Study - NHS England

Building Narrative Power for Racial Justice and Health Equity

Lived Experiences of Ethnic Minority Staff in the NHS - The Kings Fund

A Case for Diverse Boards - NHS England

Taskforce on Increasing Non-Executive Director Diversity in the NHS - NHS Confederation

Develop a Strong Talent Pipeline from Entry Level to Executive Roles - CBI

Practical Guide Bridging the Gap - CBI

Six Traits of Inclusive Leadership - Deloitte

Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust Intentional Inclusion Model

Black Jobs Matter - Personnel Today

Health Inequalities Hub Case Studies - NHS England

BMA Charter for Medical Schools to Prevent and Address Racial Harassment

Hospital CEO on Zero Tolerance - BBC News

Addressing Race Inequalities Needs Engagement - The Kings Fund

A fair experience for all: Closing the ethnicity gap in rates of disciplinary action across the NHS workforce - NHS England and NHS Improvement

Health Education England Diversity Performance Dashboard

Civil Service Diversity and Inclusion Dashboard  
The Value of Lived Experience - HPMa Newsletter

Diversity and the Case for Transparency - PwC

Shattered hopes: Black and minority ethnic leaders' experiences of breaking the glass ceiling in the NHS - BME Leadership Network NHS Confederation

No more tick boxes: a review on the evidence on how to make recruitment and career progression fairer - NHS England

If your face fits: exploring common mistakes to addressing equality and equity in recruitment- NHS England