

# Screening Review Call for Evidence

Letter to stakeholders

Dear Colleague,

As you may know, I have been commissioned to carry out an independent review of the National Cancer Screening programmes in England.

The review will culminate in a report providing recommendations to the Board of NHS England about the future commissioning and delivery of cancer screening programmes in England. I have been asked to report by Summer 2019.

Whilst the scope of the review will be limited to cancer, it is recognised that the recommendations may have implications for the organisation of other screening programmes. The review will also consider the wider implications of cancer screening on diagnostic capacity and the associated workforce needed to improve the uptake and effectiveness of cancer screening programmes, in the context of other initiatives to promote the early diagnosis of cancer.

I am keen to engage a wide range of people. To do this I am inviting stakeholders to participate in this **Call for Evidence**. This will play a crucial part in developing the recommendations from the review.

It will be important to hear both about challenges facing the current screening programmes and ideas on how these might be resolved. In addition, it would be useful to hear views on how cancer screening should look in 10 years' time. Please use the attached template for your responses.

The call for evidence will be open for 8 weeks between 21 February and 18 April 2019. All responses should be sent to [England.MRRCallforEvidence@nhs.net](mailto:England.MRRCallforEvidence@nhs.net).

Best wishes

Professor Sir Mike Richards  
Chair, Independent Review of Cancer Screening