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Health Equity Frameworks and Tools



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Introduction

What is health equity?

- Health equity is achieved when everyone can attain their full potential for health and well-being. Health inequities are a longstanding issue in Wales, as they are in many countries around the world. They disproportionately affect disadvantaged people, groups and communities, and their health outcomes, especially among those living in the most deprived parts of the country or those having unmet needs or vulnerabilities. The result is that our societies continue to lag behind in health and well-being, and this in turn holds back their opportunities to live full and prosperous lives.
- Health inequities are systematic differences in the health of different population groups. Health inequities are not inevitable. They arise from inequalities within and between countries and societies, and are the result of many and varied factors including the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, and from stigmatization and discrimination, such as racism and sexism. These issues can compound and exacerbate each other, and often result in negative life-long impacts, such as poorer physical and mental health outcomes.

What are health equity frameworks and tools?


- The frameworks and tools listed in this document are examples of UK and international efforts to support governments, organisations and individuals to work towards health equity.
- Existing health equity frameworks were identified through searches of key international and national public health and health equity institution resources. This approach allowed the identification of open-access frameworks developed for public health and health equity decision-makers.


Purpose of this document


The purpose of this document is to compile a range of health equity frameworks and tools to enable you to identify the most useful tool for your purpose and context.


How to use this document


- The frameworks and tools included in this document have taken different approaches to working towards health equity, and have been categorised into 5 broad approaches, depending on the type of support you need:

 **Resource Library** (frameworks in this category bring health equity information into a library to support targeted action, including examples from practice)

 **Data** (the frameworks include a focus on the use of data to identify, describe and measure health equity issues)

 **Action** (frameworks in this category identify, order, plan, track and evaluate actions to improve health equity)

 **Evaluate** (these frameworks include an element of review, monitoring and/or evaluation)

 **Theory** (frameworks in this category seek to describe and explain health equity issues)

- The audience for each tool has also been listed, enabling you to identify the resource most useful to you and your organisation.
- We have also commented on the alignment of each tool with [HESRi](#) (the WHO European Health Equity Status Report Initiative) - a mechanism to promote and support policy action and commitment for health equity and well-being in the European Region.
- The document makes some reference to [WHESP - The Welsh Health Equity Solutions Platform](#), which acts as a repository of information, case studies, and previous interventions used to help combat inequity and share good practice in Wales.

Framework	Category	Audience
1. <u>Health Inequalities portal</u> (EuroHealthNet)	 Resource Library	Universal
2. <u>Health Equity Assessment Toolkit</u> (WHO)	 Data	Universal
3. <u>Health Equity Policy Tool</u> (WHO)	 Action	National governments
4. <u>Health Equity Audit Tool</u> (OHID)	 Action	Universal
	 Evaluate	
5. <u>Pathways to Population Health Equity</u> (WE in the World and ASTHO)	 Action	Local/regional public health leaders
6. <u>Public Health Scotland: Place Standard Tool</u> (NHS Health Scotland, the Scottish Government and Architecture & Design Scotland)	 Action	Voluntary and Community Sector
7. <u>Public Health Scotland: Informing Interventions to reduce health Inequalities (Triple I)</u> (NHS Health Scotland)	 Data	Local and national decision makers
	 Action	
8. <u>King's Fund: My role in tackling health inequalities. A framework for allied health professionals</u> (King's Fund)	 Action	Allied Health Professionals
9. <u>Health Equity Framework</u> (ETR)	 Theory	Universal
10. <u>A framework for digital health equity</u> (Richardson et al.)	 Theory	Digital health leaders
11. <u>Achieving Health Equity, A Guide for Health Care Organisations</u> (Institute for Healthcare Improvement)	 Action	Health care organisations
12. <u>HealthEquityGuide.org</u> (Human Impact Partners)	 Action	Local health departments
	 Resource Library	

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<p>13. <u>Thriving together: A Springboard for Equitable Recovery and Resilience in Communities across America</u> (CDC Foundation and Well Being Trust)</p>	<p> Action</p> <p> Theory</p>	<p>Universal</p>
<p>14. <u>Health Inequalities Prevention Pathway (HIPP) Framework</u> (West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership)</p>	<p> Action</p> <p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Local/regional public health leaders</p>
<p>15. <u>Public Health & Equity Resource Navigator</u> (American Public Health Association)</p>	<p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Universal</p>
<p>16. <u>Communities in Action: Pathways to Health Equity</u> (National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine)</p>	<p> Resource Library</p> <p> Theory</p>	<p>Community and health equity stakeholders</p>
<p>17. <u>Reducing health inequalities: system, scale and sustainability</u> (Public Health England)</p>	<p> Action</p> <p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Local/regional public health leaders</p>
<p>18. <u>Sustainable Investment in Population Health and Well-being: Towards a Value-Based Public Health</u> (Public Health Wales WHO CC)</p>	<p> Action</p> <p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Universal</p>
<p>19. <u>Triple-win – improving health, equity and the environment</u></p>	<p> Theory</p> <p> Action</p> <p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Decision makers and the general public</p>
<p>20. <u>A framework for NHS action on social determinants of health</u></p>	<p> Theory</p>	<p>Local/regional policymakers</p>
<p>21. <u>How to talk about the building blocks of health</u></p>	<p> Action</p>	<p>Universal</p>
<p>22. <u>Institute of Health Equity (UK): institute website</u></p>	<p> Resource Library</p>	<p>Universal</p>

EuroHealthNet Health Inequalities portal

Aim	To provide an information hub on health inequalities in Europe
Intended audience	Universal - any stakeholder with a role in promoting health equity.
Description	<p>Describes what health equity is and how it affects different countries.</p> <p>Includes a resource database, map of health inequalities, tools to measure and address health inequalities. The tools section includes tools to measure health inequalities (including coverage of Health Impact Assessment tools and Health Equity Audits, tools to measure and improve the impact of policies and interventions, tools to measure impact inside health systems, and tools on health equity and the environment.</p> <p>This is a detailed tool and the resources included in this portal are extensive and from trusted sources. It follows a stepwise process, addressing each step from theory, to data, to action (including funding).</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Strong: links to the 5 essential conditions and the vulnerabilities.
Overall category	Resource library

WHO Health Equity Assessment Toolkit (HEAT) and HEAT Plus

(WHO, updated 2020)

Aim	To provide a software application that facilitates the assessment of health inequalities
Intended audience	Universal - any stakeholder with a role in promoting health equity
Description	<p>This toolkit includes two main components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore Inequality: explore a situation of inequity in one setting of interest • Compare Inequality: enables benchmarking across settings <p>HEAT Plus allows users to upload and work with their own data.</p> <p>This tool enables the user to generate data and facilitates international comparison. The global health footprint of the database may limit granular or intervention-specific analysis.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	WHO-produced database, using Thirteenth General Programme of Work (GPW13) and global health indicators.
Overall category	Data/addressing inequalities

WHO Health Equity Policy Tool (WHO, 2019)

Aim	To provide a framework to track policies for increasing health equity in the WHO European Region
Intended audience	National governments - WHO Member States and partners
Description	<p>This tool takes a multisectoral approach and is structured around five policy action areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health service • Income security and social protection • Living conditions • Social and human capital • Employment and working conditions <p>The Health Equity Policy Tool covers two types of indicators in each policy action area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • measures of the implementation of and investment in policies promoting health equity; and • measures of the equity impact of policies addressing the determinants of health or their consequences, in terms of coverage, uptake and effectiveness. <p>The focus of this tool is on policy, it therefore does not cover other forms of intervention and practice.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	<p>Complimentary - informed by HESRI work and developed by subgroup.</p> <p>Elements also closely or directly correspond to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) targets</p>
Overall category	Action mapping and evaluation

Office of Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) Health Equity Audit Tool

(OHID, 2020)

Aim	To support the systematic assessment of health inequalities related to work programmes and identify what can be done to help reduce inequalities.
Intended audience	Universal - any stakeholder with a role in promoting health equity
Description	<p>The resources in this tool consist of full and abbreviated HEAT tools, case studies and an e-learning module. The tool itself is an 'easy-to-follow template that can be applied flexibly to suit different work programmes and services' and is structured in 4 main stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prepare, • assess, • refine and apply, • review <p>It encourages consideration of health inequalities and their drivers for protected characteristics, socio-economic differences, area, and vulnerable and inclusion groups. There is a supplementary webpage with a health equity audit guide for screening providers and commissioners. This is intended to be used in conjunction with HEAT and is tailored to be more specific to issues of relevance to screening services.</p> <p>The key benefit of HEAT is identified by its development team as 'offering a simple yet thorough framework and set of principles for assessing and driving action on health inequalities among multiple stakeholders across the system'.</p> <p>The tool is England-focused and does not consider external approaches to health equity.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	The tool and its supporting resources focus on English data and health inequalities parameters.
Overall category	Action planning and evaluation

Pathways to Population Health Equity (P2PHE) (WE in the World and ASTHO at request of CDC)

Aim	To provide a <u>framework, roadmaps, compass, and associated tools</u> for public health practitioners to build a more prepared, resilient, and proactive public health system at every level. The framework and associated tools can be adapted to the issues most prominent in a specific jurisdiction
Intended audience	Local/regional public health leaders
Description	<p>Guided stepwise approach through:</p> <p>Learn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Framework: foundational concepts and balanced portfolios, suggesting 4 strategy portfolios for public health practitioners to align their work. These should be balanced to achieve meaningful and sustained impact on health equity. • Roadmaps: Four-step roadmap to population equity (includes community engagement) <p>Assess</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Compass. A tool to help public health change agents see where they are in their health equity journey. It can be used to enable individuals to look ahead and chart a path forward. The Compass considers five domains: core transformation skills and the 4 strategy portfolios detailed in the framework. <p>Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the transformation tool to identify goals and priorities before developing and action plan. <p>The process should be repeated annually, forming a regular cycle.</p> <p>The P2PHE website also includes a resources tab, with the resources organised into population health and equity libraries, P2PHE key resources, alignment (the baseline P2PHE framework landscape analysis and a mapping of how it aligns with the PHAB standards), and resources for each of the Compass’s five domains (core transformation skills and the 4 strategy portfolios detailed in the framework).</p> <p>This tool has a community-level focus which is distinct from other frameworks. The tool takes a clear, accessible stepwise approach, linked to practice requirements and standards.</p> <p>The tool’s US-focus means it cannot be directly applied by WHESP partners and stakeholders.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Considers the WHO Conceptual Framework for Action on the Social Determinants of Health and the UN Sustainable Development Goals in its framework mapping, which in turn inform its own framework for balanced portfolios, but the overarching focus is on US frameworks.
Overall category	Action: understand, describe, act and review.

Public Health Scotland: Place Standard Tool

(NHS Health Scotland, the Scottish Government and Architecture & Design Scotland, updated 2021)

Aim	To support communities, public agencies, voluntary groups and others in finding those aspects of a place that need to be targeted to improve people’s health, wellbeing and quality of life.
Intended audience	Voluntary and Community Sector
Description	<p>The Place Standard tool provides a simple framework to structure conversations about place and community. The tool asks 14 questions about the physical and social elements of a place. Participants answer by scoring from 1 to 7, where 1 means there is a lot of room for improvement and 7 means there is very little room for improvement.</p> <p>This tool addresses place-based aspects of health and wellbeing in Scotland and some work might be necessary to transfer it to different contexts.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	The tool focuses on place-based elements of health and wellbeing, with some overlap with the HESRI domains. Not all HESRI domains are addressed, but the approach could be adapted. The tool is clearly linked to Scotland’s National Performance Framework, Public Health Priorities and the UN SDGs. The tool has been recognised by the World Health Organization European Healthy Cities Network and EuroHealthNet
Overall category	Action – mapping and identifying areas for improvement together

Public Health Scotland: Informing Interventions to reduce health Inequalities (Triple I)

(NHS Health Scotland as part of the Scottish Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) collaboration, 2019)

Aim	To provide practical tools and interpreted research findings that estimate and compare the potential impact of different policies and interventions that can affect health and health inequalities in Scotland. This supports decisions about which actions will have the biggest impact on population health and health inequalities, before implementation.
Intended audience	Local and national decision makers
Description	<p>This tool includes interactive spreadsheets and a results browser. A set list of policies and interventions can be compared, with population health and health inequalities measured in terms of premature deaths, years of life lost and hospital stays. Results can be tailored by time period, geographic area and organisation footprint.</p> <p>The tool provides data and health economics information for decision making, supporting consideration and discussion of the cost-effectiveness of different actions and their impact on health inequalities. It has been produced for and tailored to Scotland, focusing on specific policies and interventions.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Limited, as focus is on specific policies and interventions, which align with elements of HESRI, but are not considered as such.
Overall category	Data, finance and decision-making

King’s Fund: My role in tackling health inequalities. A framework for allied health professionals

(Durka Dougall and David Buck, The King’s Fund, 2021)

Aim	To support Allied Health Professionals to do whatever they can to tackle health inequalities
Intended audience	Allied health professionals (AHPs)
Description	<p>The framework details how AHPs can raise awareness, take action and optimise advocacy through six lenses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • self; • patients; • clinical teams, • pathway and service groups; • communities and networks; • systems; and • nurturing the future. <p>Each section of the framework is accompanied by examples of AHP-led work already under way across England.</p> <p>The framework takes an iterative, step-wise approach to learning about health inequalities and considering ‘domains of influence’ in practice.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Strongest alignment with health and health services, and health and social and human capital domains.
Overall category	Action

Health Equity Framework (ETR, 2021)

Aim	A model that describes the ways that health and education outcomes are influenced by complex interactions between people and their environments. The Health Equity Framework (HEF) is ETR’s shared language for talking about health and education equity. The Framework is also a reflection tool to assess approaches to health equity and explore new pathways for learning
Intended audience	Universal - any stakeholder with a role in promoting health equity.
Description	<p>The HEF illustrates how health outcomes are influenced by complex interactions between people and their environments. The framework is centered on three foundational concepts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • equity at the core of health outcomes; • multiple, interacting spheres of influence; • and a historical and life-course perspective. <p>The HEF encourages researchers and practitioners to think beyond traditional approaches that focus on individual behaviours and choices to assess and identify their gaps in acknowledging and addressing factors from multiple spheres of influence.</p> <p>HEF is a practical tool for leaders and professionals in public health research and practice to reflect on and support a shift toward addressing health inequities resulting from the interplay of structural, relational, individual, and physiological factors.</p> <p>This tool is theory-focused, with limited supporting tools or resources to support its application in practice.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Focused on internal, individual, relational and societal forces shaping equity.
Overall category	Theory

A framework for digital health equity

(Richardson, 2022)

Aim	To identify digital determinants of health across multiple domains, factoring their cumulative and interactive effects, along with risk and resilience factors.
Intended audience	Digital health leaders
Description	<p>This framework presents a range of digital determinants of health for individual, family/organisational, community and population health.</p> <p>The framework is organised into several domains, including biological, behavioural, physical/built environment, socio-cultural environment, and the healthcare system. It categorises domains of determinants according to levels of the socio-ecological model.</p> <p>This tool is theory-focused, with limited supporting tools or resources to support its application in practice.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Digital equity is a key overarching issue, as illustrated by the COVID pandemic and unequal access to digital innovations and responses during and since the pandemic.
Overall category	Theory

Achieving Health Equity, A Guide for Health Care Organisations

(Institute for Healthcare Improvement, Wyatt et al, 2016)

Aim	To provide guidance on how health care organizations can reduce health disparities.
Intended audience	Health care organisations
Description	<p>This is a framework for health care organisations to improve health equity in the communities they serve, with five key components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make health equity a strategic priority; • Develop structure and processes to support health equity work; • Deploy specific strategies to address the multiple determinants of health on which health care organizations can have a direct impact, such as health care services, socioeconomic status, physical environment, and healthy behaviours; • Decrease institutional racism within the organisation; and • Develop partnerships with community organisations to improve health and equity. <p>The paper also describes practical issues in measuring health equity, presents a case study, and includes a self-assessment tool for health care organisations to assess their current state related to each component of the framework.</p> <p>This is a clear and accessible tool, relevant primarily to health care organisations. The addition of a self-assessment tool increases its practical value, as does the consideration of budgeting.</p> <p>This tool is USA-based and compared to other resources, limited in the detail and plans developed.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Main focus is on health and health service domains, but expands this to consider how health care organisations can support health equity more widely, for example by community engagement, employment and procurement practices.
Overall category	Action: framework to map and understand current practices

HealthEquityGuide.org

(Human Impact Partners, 2018)

Aim	To support the advancement of health equity in local health departments through the use of a set of strategic practices, and to share inspiring examples of how health departments have concretely advanced health equity — both internally within their departments and externally with communities and other government agencies
Intended audience	USA-based local health departments
Description	<p>The guide includes a set of Strategic Practices to advance health equity in local health departments divided into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • build internal infrastructure, • work across government, • foster community partnerships and • champion transformative change. <p>Key actions health departments can take to advance their current practice towards health equity are included, as well as 25+ case studies from local health departments that describe how they advanced the strategic practice, factors that enabled the work, impacts, and advice for others. Also included are resources from allied organisations and others to advance the strategic practices, and a four part webinar series</p> <p>This is a good illustration of how a platform can be used to showcase and share examples of practice. The strategic practices highlight internal and external actions needed by organisations. This is a USA-based guide, the strategic practices are based on US resources and their transferability to other contexts would need to be evaluated.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Some alignment between HESRI and the guide’s identified strategic practices. However, the strategic practices are developed from US-based resources.
Overall category	Action and resource library

Thriving together: A Springboard for Equitable Recovery and Resilience in Communities across America (CDC Foundation and Well Being Trust, 2020)

Aim	To develop a roadmap for current times of ‘crisis trend’ (multiple crises) to highlight actions that communities, organisations, businesses, governments and funders can turn to in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic. The springboard is intended as ‘a practical resource for everyone who wants to help America heal and secure the vital conditions that all people need to thrive, including basic needs for health and safety, humane housing, meaningful work and wealth, lifelong learning, reliable transportation, and more.’
Intended audience	Universal - any stakeholder with a role in promoting health equity.
Description	<p>This tool comprises three core sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing Course Summaries: brief chapters focused on the vital conditions and selected topics, featuring ‘pivotal moves’ that stand out as high priorities for quick action. • Paths to Renewal: point to larger and long-term ways of renewing Civic Life; Economic Life; and Social, Economic, and Spiritual Life, and feature key “trend benders” that could play out over the next decade. • Advancing a Thriving Movement: reminds us of the momentum already underway in America to create thriving communities in a way that fits local culture and context. <p>The springboard is reported fully here. Supporting website suggests communities of practice are in development and there is a degree of interaction possible with website.</p> <p>This tool was developed in eight weeks, taking a renewal-focused, transformative approach to responding to the COVID pandemic and other challenges.</p> <p>This is a USA-based tool, its transferability to other contexts would need to be evaluated.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Some overlap with vital conditions and paths to renewal
Overall category	Theory and Action

Health Inequalities Prevention Pathway (HIPP) Framework

(West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership)

Aim	To support the system to break down the steps in identifying and addressing inequalities
Intended audience	NHS and public health teams, including Local Authority public health teams, Primary Care Networks, CCGs and other organisations.
Description	<p>This is a targeted framework that specifically considers inequality in the context of COVID. The resources include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information and resources related to health Inequalities and COVID-19 • The Health Inequality Prevention Pathway framework to assess inequalities and targeted interventions • Worked examples for priority population groups <p>The framework steps include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of inequality • Intelligence for insight and prevention • Intervention <p>At each step, additional resources are signposted (e.g. sources of guidance, data and evidence)</p>
Alignment with HESri	Some overlap in terms of vulnerable population groups, but none for essential conditions.
Overall category	Action and resource library

Public Health & Equity Resource Navigator (PHERN)

(American Public Health Association)

Aim	To help changemakers navigate 1,000+ resources focused on ending the pandemic, advancing equity, and building a resilient, robust, sustainable public health system for the future
Intended audience	Public health leaders and practitioners, and decision-makers at the state, local, tribal, and community levels in mind, as well as healthcare workers; community health workers; community organizers; students, educators, school boards, districts, and administrators; researchers; data experts and analysts; community benefit professionals; and community stewards and change-makers.
Components	<p>The resource navigator includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore resources (new, by topic, by sector, browse all) • Engage (including suggest content) • About (PHERN, the alliance, network map, resource curation) <p>PHERN is also aligned with the Alliance for Disease Prevention and Response, a national movement to protect against future pandemics and disease outbreaks and long-term disease prevention. APHA acts as a connector between Alliance partners and take a lead role in communicating with the public.</p> <p>A network tool maps and categorises the ongoing work and organizations and initiatives involved in public health, prevention, and equity in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate collaboration among existing and new partners to inform and align efforts • Share lessons and innovations with public health, health care, and community partners • Create strategy cohesion and civic engagement by partners and communities <p>This tool is USA-based and currently heavily focused on COVID.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	None
Overall category	Resource library

Communities in Action: Pathways to Health Equity

(National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, 2017)

Aim	To help delineate the causes of and the solutions to health inequities in the United States
Intended audience	Community and health equity stakeholders
Description	<p>The report presents a conceptual model for community-based solutions to promote health equity. It includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples of communities talking health equity • Policies to support community solutions • Partners in promoting health equity in communities • Community tools to promote health equity <p>In addition to the report, there is a website with structured links to further resources.</p> <p>This tool is community-focused and evidence based, providing a sense of how health equity information could be structured to support learning, including the selection and presentation of examples from practice. The document itself is fairly long, with the website providing a more accessible means of navigating.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Strong alignment with essential conditions
Overall category	Theory and resource library

Reducing health inequalities: system, scale and sustainability

(Public Health England , 2017)

Aim	To support local action to tackle health inequalities, by helping local partners to identify what specific interventions could measurably improve outcomes.
Intended audience	Local partners
Description	<p>The report provides background information on health inequalities. It provides structured ways of considering interventions including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intervening at different levels of risk • Intervening for impact over time • Intervening across the life course <p>It also provides a structure to making an impact at population level as ‘intervening at civic, community and service levels can separately impact on population health. In combination, the impact will be greater’, as well as through services (using the population outcomes through services or POTS framework). In addition to the above, there is a detailed resource section, which includes evidence sources and tools for cost-effectiveness.</p> <p>This tool provides models for framing and exploring intervention options, with relevant resources, linking to Public Health Outcomes Frameworks.</p> <p>The resources included here are mostly focused on England.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Explained using the Dahlgren and Whitehead model, with subsequent focus on different approaches to interventions.
Overall category	Action and resource library

Sustainable Investment in Population Health and Well-being: Towards a Value-Based Public Health

(Public Health Wales WHO CC, 2022)

Aim	To explore evidence and opportunities to develop further the concept, methodology and real-life application of Social Value and SROI to improve health and well-being, and reduce health inequity in Wales and beyond.
Intended audience	Various audiences - the audience for each component is clearly detailed in the accompanying documentation.
Description	<p>This is a 'Value-Based Public Health' programme of work applying a Social Value approach, providing a summary of a growing <u>portfolio of products and tools</u> to support the case for sustainable, evidence and value-based investment in public health and health equity including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Value Database and Simulator (SVDS) for Public Health (2022) • How to Make the Case for Sustainable Investment in Well-being and Health Equity: A Practical Guide (2019) • Driving Prosperity for All through Investing for Health and Well-being – An Evidence Informed Guide for Cross-sector Investment (2019) • Investment for health and well-being: A review of the social return on investment from public health policies to support implementing the Sustainable Development Goals by building on Health 2020 (2017) <p>This is a Wales-focused focused resource with strong links to WHESRI.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Strong
Overall category	Action and resource library

Triple-win – improving health, equity and the environment (INHERIT, 2020)

<p>Aim</p>	<p>To stimulate effective policies, practices and innovations that address key environmental stressors of health and the underlying causes of health inequity.</p> <p>A Horizon 2020 research project (2016-2019), INHERIT aims to encourage us to modify our current lifestyles, characterized by a ‘take, make, consume, dispose’ models of growth, to formulate scenarios for a more sustainable future, and to design, implement and test inter-sectoral initiatives to achieve the desired change.</p>
<p>Intended audience</p>	<p>Decision makers and the general public</p>
<p>Description</p>	<p>The <u>INHERIT model</u>: is a tool to guide thinking and intersectoral action towards changing the behaviours and lifestyles that play such an important role in today’s multidisciplinary challenges. This is a good example of a platform to share information and support interaction and collaboration.</p> <p>The model integrates ecological public health and behavioural change models, emphasising inequalities and those parts of the causal process that are influenced by human behaviours and lifestyles.</p> <p><u>The INHERIT website includes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Descriptions of the project’s work • Triple-win cases (improving health, increasing health equity and integrating the environment into all planning and decision-making processes) including a database that can be filtered by field, type, impact, target group and level, case studies, and a ‘share your ideas’ portal. • Events including conferences, fora and policy roundtables. • Media • Resources including an online course • Policy briefs, toolkits and roadmaps (see <u>outcomes document</u>)
<p>Alignment with HESRI</p>	<p>Aligned with UN’s Agenda 2030 and Sustainable Development Goals.</p>
<p>Overall category</p>	<p>Theory, Action, Resource library</p>

A framework for NHS action on social determinants of health (Health Foundation, 2022)

Aim	To outline a framework to understand potential approaches for NHS organisations seeking to address social factors that shape health, focusing on the role of local and regional action.
Intended audience	Local and regional policymakers
Description	<p>This is a healthcare focused framework which suggests that NHS approaches to addressing social needs can be divided into four main categories using a 2x2 matrix (individual level and population level horizontally and within the NHS and NHS in partnership vertically). In each area, a mix of policy and system-level changes could support NHS action, such as better data on patients' social needs and community involvement in decision making. Evaluation is also needed to understand the potential benefits and risks of NHS action. At all levels, NHS staff and organisations can use their power and resources to advocate for wider social policy change that could improve health and reduce inequities.</p> <p>The matrix approach is helpful for connecting individual to population level practice and for considering NHS and NHS partnership approaches.</p>
Alignment with HESRI	Healthcare focused framework.
Overall category	Mainly theory, with examples and guidance for practice included in report.

How to talk about the building blocks of health (Health Foundation and FrameWorks, 2022)

Aim	To set out how to frame communications to tell a more powerful story about health. This is to increase understanding of the role that the wider determinants play in our health, and support for action to address them.
Intended audience	Universal - anyone working and communicating in the field of public health
Description	<p>This is a communication-focused tool, which includes five recommendations for boosting action on health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show why it matters: lives are being cut short • Harness the power of explanation • Show change is possible • Use certain arguments with caution • Use data to strengthen your story, not to tell it
Alignment with HESRI	A key tool for communicating about the wider determinants
Overall category	Action

Institute of Health Equity (UK): institute website (Institute of Health Equity)

Aim	Established in 2011, the institute is led by Sir Michael Marmot and aims to develop and support approaches to health equity and build on work that has assessed, measured and implemented approaches to tackle inequalities in health - works such as the 'WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health' and 'Fair Society Healthy Lives' (The Marmot Review).
Intended audience	Anyone working in tackling health inequalities
Description	<p>This is an excellent example of constructing an evidence and resource library for tackling health inequalities, using the Marmot recommendations to create structure and consistency over time. The website contains resources including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Toward Health Equity (outlines key recommendations) • Action on the Social Determinants of Health (outlines theory of practice) • Monitoring and Evaluating Progress (includes the Marmot indicators, also available through PHE's Fingertips – links to the HEAT tool). • Promoting What Works (evidence base for action, including guides produced for the UK government on local action, both recently and in 2014, and targeting specific professions. • Building Networks (including international, national and local) <p>The website also includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations • Training and Courses • Resources and reports
Alignment with HESRi	Links to WHO, with close but not full alignment with HESRi approach (e.g. Marmot combines determinants with the life course approach) introducing need to map items across.
Overall category	Resource library, with policy recommendations (action) and background (theory)



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