

Value of care categories (VCCs)





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The VCCs have evolved from the U.S. Oregon Prioritised List¹ (OPL) and have been adapted for the English NHS

The VCCs prioritise services that keep a population healthy. Preventative services and chronic disease management rank higher than other services.

VCCs are based on ranked clinical and cost effectiveness and help us to:

 <p>Compare local cost and activity to an index of conditions, weighted towards preventative and upstream interventions</p>	 <p>Quantify the volume and cost of 'diagnostic only' interventions</p>	 <p>Compare utilisation and cost profiles against an external-evidence base for condition-intervention pairings</p>	 <p>Identify preventative and chronic disease management activity occurring in an acute setting</p>
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The VCCs provide a means to review local practice against an external-evidence base. Using coded data, VCCs assess the validity and efficacy of treatments in relation to associated conditions and can inform where groups of patients may benefit from alternative pathways.

¹ <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/DSI-HERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx>

The VCC's logic provides a concluding comment for each admission to identify areas for further investigation:

VCC comment	VCC comment description
Map	The procedure falls within the list of evidence-based interventions for the given condition.
No map	The diagnosis and/or procedure code do not map to the VCC line, or, the diagnosis and/or procedure code do not fall within the list of evidence-based interventions for the given condition. Admissions classified as 'no map' should be reviewed to test whether the treatment is appropriate for the diagnosis.
Diagnostic	Diagnostic admissions are grouped to this category.
Data invalid for grouping - not a valid primary diagnosis	There are issues with the diagnosis coding, meaning that the admission cannot be allocated to a VCC line.
Condition/Intervention review required	The diagnosis / procedure pairing requires further review.

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