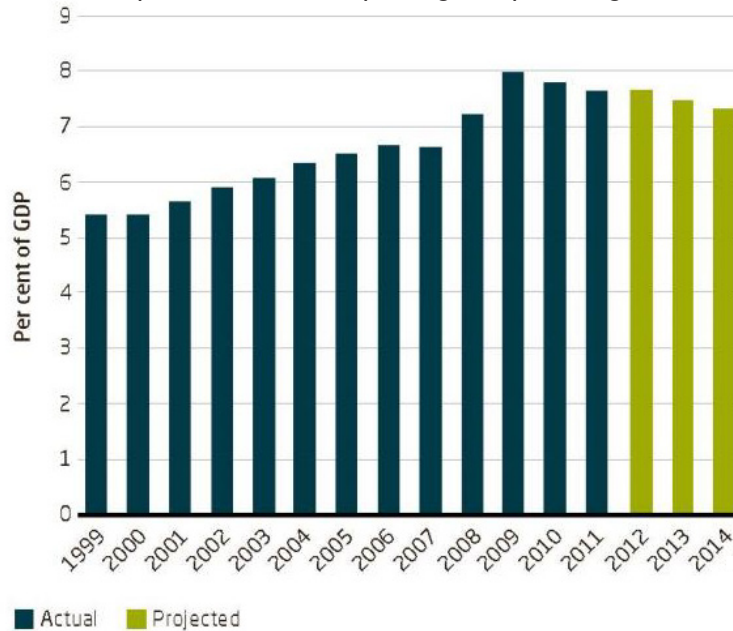


Spend less...

Actual and predicted UK NHS spending as a percentage of GDP¹



- Despite claims that more in absolute terms is being invested in the NHS, *this remains in decline* when gauged as a portion of GDP.
- This presents an altogether different picture: of *long-term under-investment* despite growing demand for healthcare, presenting the NHS with mounting pressure on its many services and staff, which is *getting worse* year by year.

1 Appleby, J. (2014) 'The NHS Productivity Challenge', King's Fund. Available at: http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/sites/files/kf/field/field_publication_file/the-nhs-productivity-challenge-kingsfund-may14.pdf

Why we act

- We believe NHS services are being **marketised**, with over 25 years of legislation aimed at creating a 'market'. That **repeated re-organisations** have taken the NHS further and further from its publicly funded, provided, and accountable roots. That **all** sections of the NHS are now under **unparalleled pressure**. And that the NHS **is being dismantled**, brick by brick: it is under threat and it would be impossible to re-create.
- We believe in service and co-operation rather than market forces and commercial competition.
- We believe that the NHS is the world's greatest ever example of a society wanting to provide care for the sick, for the whole world to see.

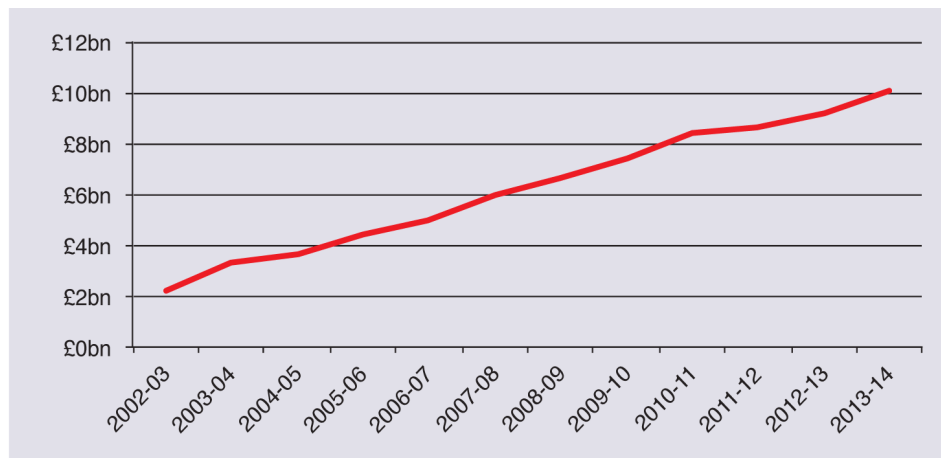
What we do

- We are a nationwide pressure group with members from all branches of medicine.
- We are lobbying to restore the NHS as a publicly funded, provided and accountable service, including the repeal of the Health and Social Care Act.
- We meet with key decision makers and opinion formers to offer the views of doctors whose priority is the interest of the public.
- We present key information and arguments to the public through the media.
- We highlight current problems faced by the NHS and suggest solutions to them.
- We work with the organisations we helped create: [Keep Our NHS Public](#) and the [NHS Federation](#).
- We will work with all other groups who share our aims.

...unless it's for profit

- The proportion of NHS money spent on private providers is growing year on year.
- Although still a small percentage of NHS spending, this indicates a deeper, more sinister trend: *marketising* of the NHS, leading to more *privatisation* and *breaking up* of the NHS.

Growth in the expenditure of PCTs/CCGs and NHS trusts on private sector provision²



2 Centre for Health and the Public Interest (2015) 'The Contracting NHS – Can the NHS Handle the Outsourcing of Clinical Services?', CHPI. Available at: <http://chpi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/CHPI-ContractingNHS-Mar-final.pdf>

"It is, I think, a great tribute to the vitality and the genius of the British people"

*Anuerin Bevan
On the foundation of the NHS, 1948*

"The NHS is Britain's finest public service and must be preserved from commercial interests."

Stephen Hawking

"Markets have built-in inefficiencies, serious inefficiencies which are well known."

Noam Chomsky



Preservation of the NHS is vital because:

- It provides comprehensive clinical cover and health protection for ALL the population while removing the fear that treatment for illness cannot be afforded.
- Its service planning, training and responses to clinical need rather than commercial interest set an example world wide.

THESE ARE UNDER THREAT.

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