

NHS and independent acute hospital services: evidence categories

These services include:

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- cancer services
- critical care
- children and young people's services
- diagnostic and screening
- end of life care
- gynaecology
- maternity
- medical
- neonatal
- outpatient department
- surgery
- urgent and emergency care

To assess services we look at evidence against our quality statements. We have grouped the types into 6 [evidence categories](#).

We're listing these acute hospital services together as we'll aim to collect evidence in similar categories.

We know there are differences in how services operate. We'll reflect this when we look at individual sources of evidence in our assessments.

➤ Information about [evidence categories for sector groups of services](#)