

ABHI WELCOMES LONG-TERM NHS FUNDING COMMITMENT

ABHI welcomes the Prime Minister's stated long-term commitment to the NHS, including a five-year funding settlement.

Our Members have been affected by a significant and alarming reduction in the number of elective procedures performed in the NHS over the last year. Anything that helps to reverse this and ensure patient access to treatment is to be applauded. However, as the Prime Minister notes, receiving additional money is one thing, spending it wisely, entirely another.

ABHI CEO, Peter Ellingworth said, *"Much of the technology the NHS needs to improve efficiency and productivity already exists, and a real focus on adoption and spread is needed if the benefits are to be fully realised. We have long and often called for greater collaboration between the NHS and industry to address some of the well-rehearsed challenges to the delivery of health and care in our country. Our Members remain committed and ready to help tackle such issues as providing alternative settings of care delivery, remodelling outpatient services and reducing bed-blocking."*

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About ABHI

The Association of British HealthTech Industries (ABHI) supports the HealthTech community to provide products and services that help people live healthier lives. As the voice of the industry, we show the value of health technology and overcome barriers to people benefitting from it now and in the future. We shape how data and technology will transform healthcare and improve the lives of patients. We work with regulators and help companies understand the environment, so patients can access HealthTech safely and quickly. In turn, we insist on the highest professional standards and ethical behaviour so that the HealthTech industry is recognised as a trusted partner in healthcare. We encourage growth and help HealthTech companies to connect with new customers around the world. www.abhi.org.uk

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