About this Release

This release shows the 2012/13 national average estimated Healthcare Resource Group (HRGv4) cost information to support NHS Boards in agreeing cross-boundary financial flows for acute inpatient and day cases.

Key Points

In order to support the objectives of the NHS Scotland Costing Group it has been agreed that the 2012/13 tariff output will be calculated using the estimated HRG costs from 2011/12, uplifted by 1%, rather than performing a full calculation, allowing the Costing Group time to focus on development of a patient level costing methodology. The 1% uplift reflects the baseline uplift provided to NHS Boards in 2012/13 in respect of pay and prices.

Background

The national strategic direction of costing in NHS Scotland is steered by the NHS Scotland Costing Group whose remit is:

- To provide long term strategic direction on all NHSScotland costing related work, evaluating options which meet stakeholder needs, and recommending a common costing methodology for NHSScotland
- To improve understanding of costs and variation to support a number of projects or initiatives
- To facilitate improved coordination of costing related work across NHSScotland (including ISD, Scottish Government, and NHS Boards).

Underpinning these objectives it is expected that the group will raise awareness of good quality costing data, particularly for Directors and Clinicians, and identify opportunities for increasing productivity and efficiency to support delivery of quality healthcare.
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