

# ESSENCE (ECONOMICS-OF-SOCIAL-CARE- COMPENDIUM) CONTINUATION STUDY

## EXAMINING THE ECONOMIC CASE FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE INTERVENTIONS

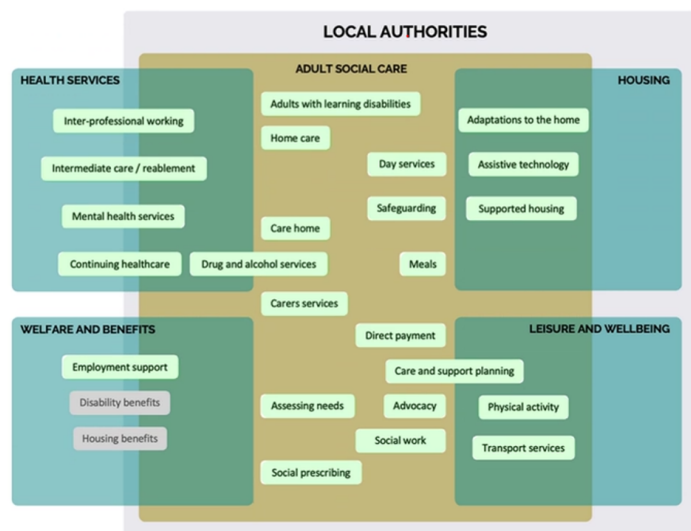
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### What is the ESSENCE project and its aim:

- It is an online resource which is free to access.
- It is a comprehensive collection that brings together relevant pre-existing research, together with new findings on costs or cost-effectiveness generated mainly through simulation modelling.
- It currently contains 18 case studies covering a range of adult social care interventions as well as a database of relevant publications on a broader spectrum of adult social care interventions.
- Its aim is to support decision-makers to access and understand the economic evidence for adult social care interventions (organised in 'bundles' of evidence, see figure below).
- We want the toolkit to be useful for people outside as well as within the research community.

**Figure: Map view of 'bundles' of evidence** (adapted from National Audit Office (2018) Adult social care at a glance)



### ESSENCE NUMBERS\*

🔍 Bundles of evidence  
[made of (1) + (2)] **26**

📄 (1) Case summaries **28+**

📚 (2) Individual publications **1300+**

### \*Including work currently underway:

- We are updating the material on the ESSENCE website to ensure that relevant evidence is available and easily accessible.
- We are consulting potential users of the material to help us improve the layout and content of the Toolkit.
- We are working to raise awareness of the Toolkit and encourage its use.
- We aim to improve wider understanding of this economic evidence base and of the methods of economic evaluation through related training and by developing learning materials.
- We will soon be adding evidence on economics studies in the child social care field.

**Timeline:** 1 June 2020 - 31 May 2023  
(probably to be extended to end of 2023)

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