

The Economics of Prevention



Purpose

Using evidence to transform public services
for all of Scotland's communities to flourish

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Preventative spending is defined by the Scottish Government as:

“Actions which prevent problems and ease future demand on services by intervening early, thereby delivering better outcomes and value for money”

What do you see as the main benefits of preventative services (either in the areas covered in the presentations or in your own areas of work)?

Savings are often put forward as one benefit of prevention. What factors will determine the scale of potential savings?

What are likely to be the challenges in realising these potential savings?

On the basis of these discussions put together two or three key points or questions for the panel for the final session

