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Health and Social Care Select Committee questions responses:

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1 If we do not sort out social care:

will that cost the NHS and Councils more money?

Yes - because you will have to pay more for people in care homes.

what does that mean for everyone?

For people LDs it would be bad, people could end up in institutions and taxes would go up for public to pay for things

2 What are the NHS, Councils and everybody else missing out on because we have not sorted out social care?

Medication for astarters, appointments and GPs and waiting lists saway,

3 What will be the problems for everybody if we do not sort out social care?

peoplew not getting medicatio, seeing their doctor or getting treatment quickly enough.

4 What groups of people suffer most if we do not sort out social care?

people with profound learning disability and also non-verbal people, but also people who live independently and don't always get enough support.

5 How can good social care support help us make our economy better too?

so more people with learning and other disability will want to work and volunteer, more people will be active and proactive.

6 When the government does a budget or spends money, does it think about social care?

No. because they look at just money and taxes and inflation instead of bigger picture of quality of life and how over a lifetime better support leads to a life with less health problems

7 When the government gives money for social care, how can it make sure this is spent well?

by regulating it by local councils so they have more power to make decisions - by keeping an eye on what gets spent and where and what goes out and in., a

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