

Volunteering in NHSScotland Programme

A new vision and strategy for Volunteering in NHSScotland

Context

The publication of [Volunteering for All: National Outcomes Framework](#) in 2019 and the impact of COVID-19 on volunteering provides an ideal opportunity to reflect on the huge success of the programme over the past decade, and the impact it's had on volunteering practice in NHSScotland.

The Volunteering in NHSScotland Programme has been in existence since 2011, providing support to NHS boards on issues relating to the safe and sustainable delivery of volunteering. It has had several successes, such as the development, implementation and management of the Volunteer Information System (VIS), the creation of the National Group for Volunteering in NHSScotland and the mandate for NHS Boards to nominate both an executive level and strategic level lead for volunteering in every NHS Board.

The focus of the programme to date has been on providing support and guidance to NHS boards on volunteering practice. This includes activity like the creation of a volunteer manager's network for peer support and practice development, training and managing users of the VIS, facilitating the sharing of good practice and resources.

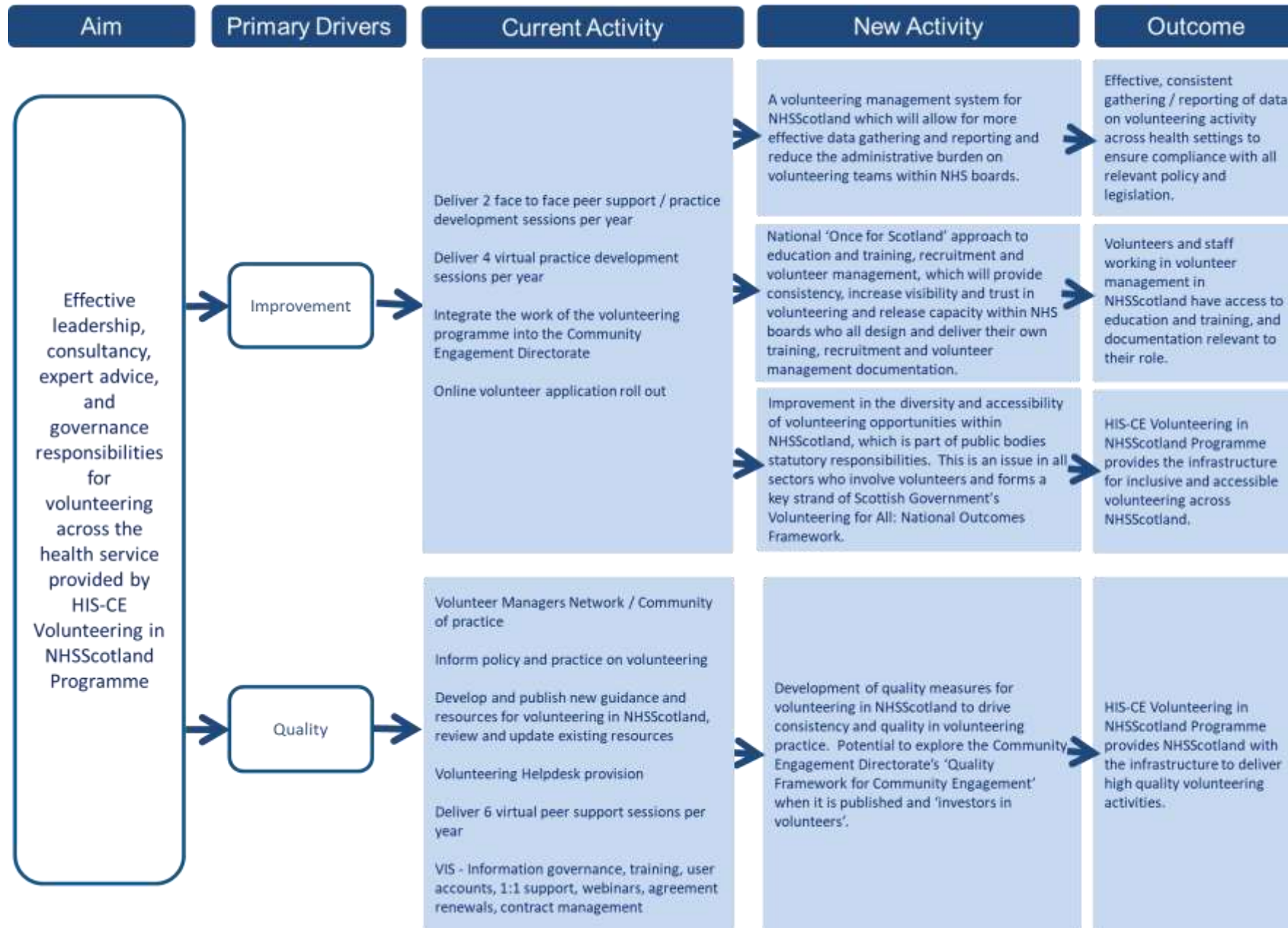
Vision

The Volunteering in NHSScotland Programme drives forward the volunteering agenda in NHSScotland through effective leadership, governance, consultancy and expert advice for volunteering across NHSScotland.

Through our work, the quality, effectiveness and impact of volunteering on both NHSScotland and on volunteers themselves will be evidenced through robust gathering of data, evaluation, impact assessment and a commitment to continuous improvement and learning.

We will contribute to the development of volunteering in Scotland through collaboration and partnership working, fostering cross sector relationships to achieve our common goals.

Programme (Improvement / Quality)



Programme (Collaboration / Influencing / Evidence and Impact)

