

# Health at COP 26 Glasgow November 2021



# COP26 Campaign aims

Bringing countries together to tackle shared climate challenges and accelerate progress towards a zero emission, resilient global economy



## Adaptation and resilience

Encourage greater political ambition, tools, finance, coordination and commitments to support practical adaptation and resilience action



## Energy transition

Seize the opportunity of rapidly falling renewables and storage costs to accelerate zero-carbon transition



## Clean transport

Accelerate the transition to zero carbon road transport by phasing out petrol and diesel engines



## Nature

Protect and restore our natural habitats and ecosystems on which our climate, air, water and way of life depend



## Finance

A green transformation of the financial system so that all countries have access to funds for climate investment

Action on finance underpins all other COP campaigns

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Health  
aim

Build climate resilient health systems, and support adaptation in food systems, water and sanitation, transport and energy systems

Guide a rapid transition to clean renewable energy, to save lives from air pollution, particularly from coal combustion. Ensure energy security for health facilities and decrease energy poverty.

Promote sustainable, healthy urban transport systems, including active and public transport, and the rapid phase out of petrol and diesel engines

Protect and restore nature and ecosystems, the foundations for healthy lives and sustainable livelihoods

Invest in climate-resilient health systems. Value health gains from carbon mitigation and adaptation policies, fossil fuel-subsidy reform and carbon pricing



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# The COP 26 Presidency will deliver on three priority areas for adaptation and resilience:

**1. Building on the Call for Action on Adaptation and Resilience:** endorsed by 118 countries and 86 institutions and organisations.

**2. Increasing the availability, efficiency and accessibility of adaptation and resilience finance:** private investments in climate resilient infrastructure and vulnerable communities.

**3. Reducing the cost of disaster, urgent on the ground adaptation:** through the Risk-Informed Early Action Partnership (REAP)- UK, Egypt, Finland, the Met Office, IFRC, Start Network.



# The energy transition campaign has four elements

These will support countries to phase out coal and focus on renewables

## Energy Transition Campaign



### Phase out of coal power

Engaging key countries to join the Powering Past Coal Alliance and commit to coal phase out, with developed countries taking the lead



### Reduce international coal financing

Pushing back on international coal finance



### More attractive clean energy offer

MDBs and donors support developing countries to increase use of renewables and commit to reduce new coal pipeline, a moratorium on coal, or refreshed national energy plans



### New financial framework

Establishing financial and technical assistance to support a just transition away from existing coal

# Clean transport and health

Cleaning up road transport is a priority campaign for COP26. Emissions from cars and vans make up ~7% of the global total, and this is increasing

To meet the goals of the Paris agreement, there needs to be a **rapid global shift to zero emission vehicles (ZEVs)**. Benefits include cleaner air and better energy security

UK will use COP26 Presidency to bring together countries, states, industry and businesses to **make all new cars zero emission by 2040**

Health professionals can **advocate for the health benefits of active travel, such as walking and cycling, use of public transport and** urban and regional planning that support safe walkable, bikeable and well connected cities

Health professionals can support by **educating on the health benefits of ZEVs** in situations where cars and vans are needed: in short, improved air quality leads to improved respiratory and cardiovascular health

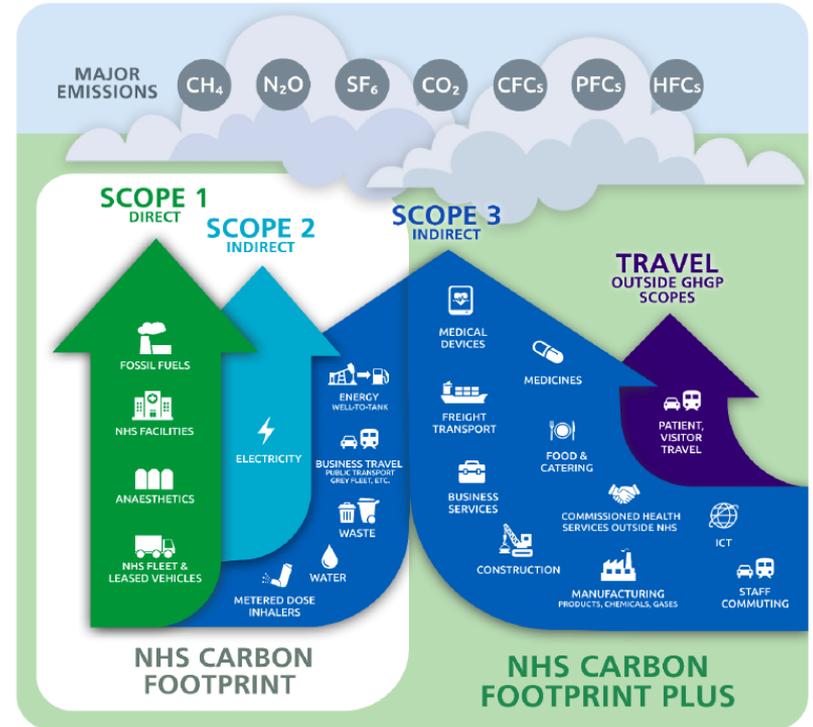




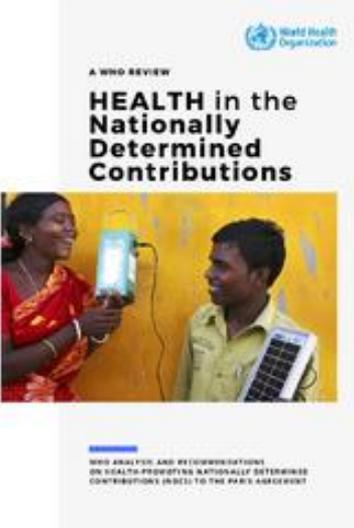
# Reducing the carbon emissions from health care

--NHS England commits to net zero by 2040 for direct emissions and by 2045 for indirect emissions

Figure 1: GHGP scopes in the context of the NHS



# Timeline for the Nationally Determined Contributions of GHG reductions



# Achieving a healthy, zero carbon economy

The logo for the 'Race to Zero' campaign. It features the words 'RACE TO ZERO' in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The text is set against a dark blue background that has a subtle gradient and a vertical light streak on the right side. The letters are slightly shadowed, giving them a three-dimensional appearance as if they are floating or attached to a surface.

**1,391** Businesses

**454** Cities

**74** Investors

**23** Regions

**569** Universities

- These actors join 120 countries in the [largest ever alliance](https://unfccc.int/climate-action/race-to-zero-campaign) committed to achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2050 at the latest. <https://unfccc.int/climate-action/race-to-zero-campaign>