

# BASW Social Work in Health (SWiH) Thematic Group



## ROLE OUTLINE FOR CLINICAL DIRECTOR WITHIN THE NHS ENGLAND/DEPT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

### Who we are:

I am a social worker and the Deputy Director for Digital Operations, Platforms and Data Chief Social Worker and Head of Profession for Social Care Informatics, Digital Clinical Informatics Team | NHS Transformation Directorate. Working on developing safe and effective technology.

### What we do:

I manage a number of multi professional teams working on different digital products – for example, the Federated Data Platform. Our role is to ensure that these products are useful, useable and used by professionals, patients and citizens, using our knowledge of data, technology, professional practice and ethics.

### How we work:

We work mainly with IT professionals but also use connections through our professional backgrounds to gather a wide range of stakeholder views, in order to ensure digital products are safe and will benefit the public and those who work with them.

### What we know:

We have expertise in legislation around data sharing and protection, digital safety standards and a broad range of social care and health legislation relevant to our professional backgrounds. Because every professional (clinician in NHS terms) is trained differently and with slightly different perspectives, there is great value in bringing our collective knowledge to bear in our work. This helps make complicated technology more accessible and beneficial to the public.