

Appendix 1: Evaluation methodology

This evaluation has been developed by the National Value Management Team with support from the Evidence and Evaluation for Improvement Team at Healthcare Improvement Scotland. For more information, see Appendix 1.

A mixed-methods approach, using qualitative and quantitative data, was adopted to answer the agreed evaluation questions:

Our approach included analysing:

Quantitative and qualitative data:

- Regular reporting data from participating boards
- Event evaluation data
- Observations and records from collaborative interactions
- Existing programme information

Qualitative data:

- Virtual interviews with participants working in or closely with Value Management teams (x 34) to develop case studies and learn more about what the teams achieved, enablers and barriers, and the extent to which in their view the collaborative contributed
- Reflective focus groups with improvement coaches (x2):
- Surveys with improvement coaches to establish their self-reported competence and confidence in a range of skills and subject areas (x3)
- Anonymised data gathering with improvement coaches at coach development sessions (x2)
- Listening and observation at collaborative events (x 3): Three events were attended to understand more about peer sharing and learning and relationships within the programme.