

Supplementary file 1. Devolution and health systems: examples of the differences in health provision between Scotland and England

Scotland	England
Free dental checks at 6-monthly intervals (although there is a charge for treatment)	Dental check costs £20.60
Free NHS prescriptions	Prescription costs £8.60
Free NHS eye tests	Commercial eye tests
Free personal and nursing care upon assessed need	Commercial care
Public health is NHS-run	Public health is local authority-run
Offers a free baby box scheme, supplying parents of newborn children with around 40 different essential items	No baby box scheme
Minimum alcohol unit pricing (implementation date 1 May 2018)	No minimum alcohol unit pricing

All information correct at time of writing. Certain services that are chargeable in England are offered free of charge to those on certain state benefits, but are not universally free.

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