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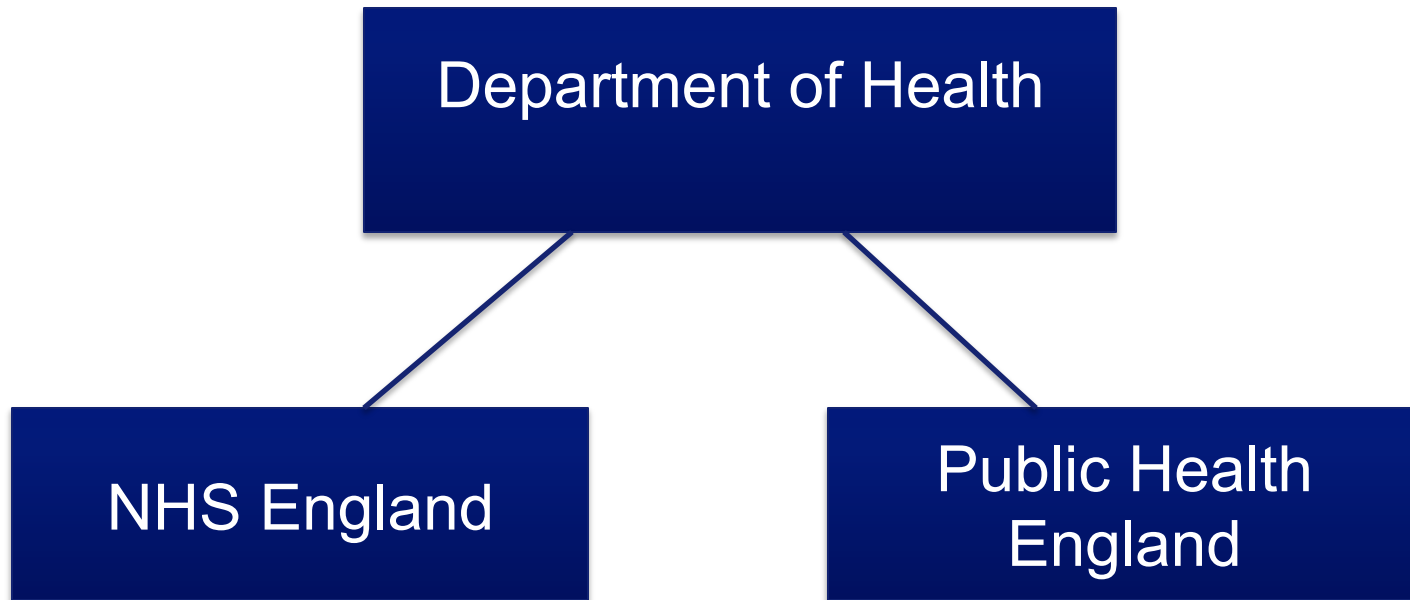
# System Changes in the Health Landscape

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# System Changes in the Health Landscape

- White Paper – Healthy Lives, Healthy People 2010
- Health and Social Care Act 2012





# Public Health England

- **Return of the responsibility for local health improvement to local government with effect from 1 April 2013**
- **Creation of Public Health England – Executive agency of the Department of Health**



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# Mission

“To protect and improve the nation’s health and to address inequalities, working with national and local government, the NHS, industry, academia, the public and the voluntary and community sector.”



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# Sender bodies

The existing health organisations and functions that contributed some or all of their staff to Public Health England include:

- Health Protection Agency
- National Treatment Agency
- Department of Health
- Strategic Health Authorities
- Primary Care Trusts
- Public health observatories
- Cancer registries
- National cancer intelligence network
- Quality assurance reference centres (QARCS)
- Specialist dental commissioners
- Specialist commissioners
- NHS cancer screening programme
- UK national screening programmes (non-cancer)



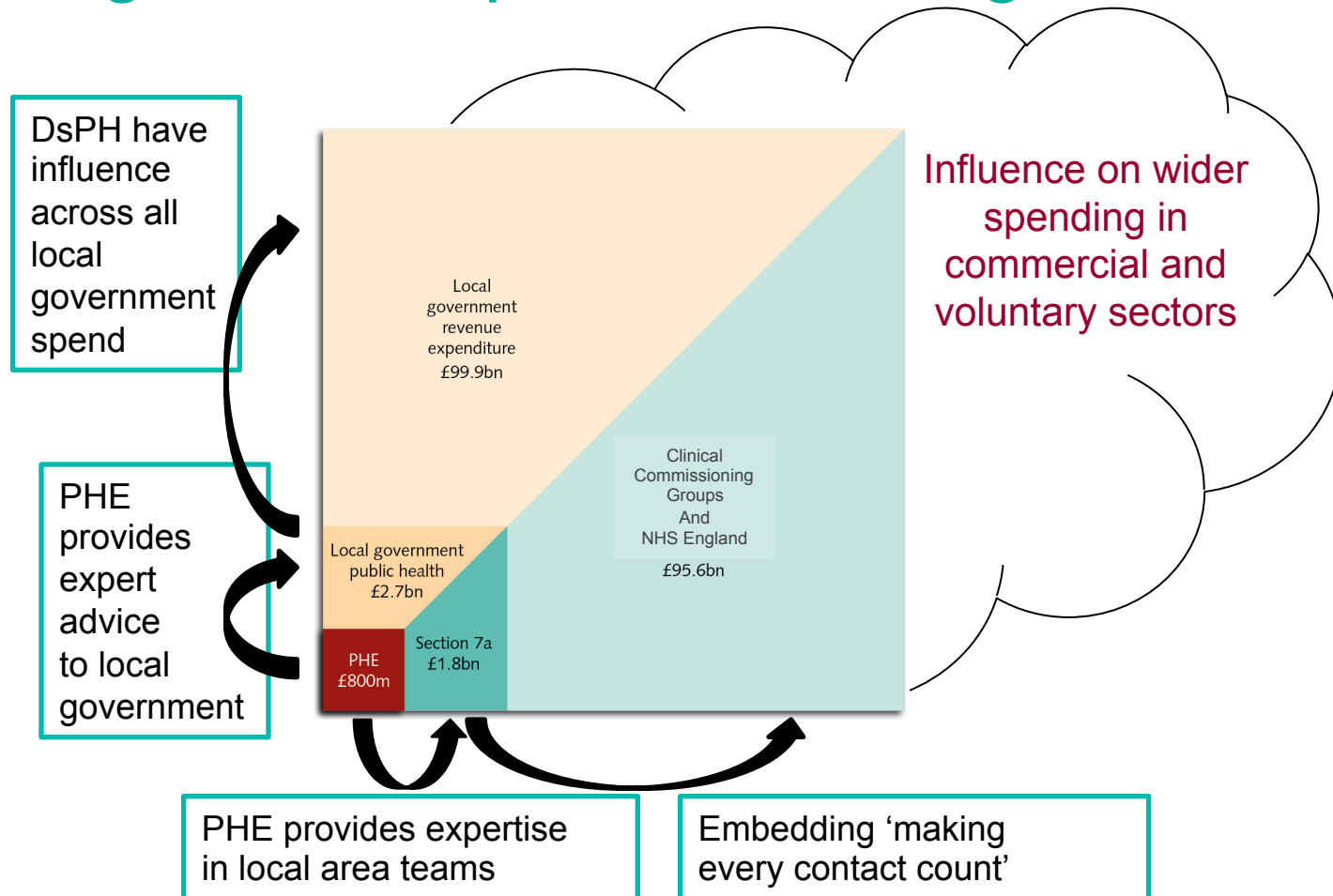
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# Public Health England

- **Provide evidence based professional and scientific advice to Government, Local Government, the NHS, industry and the public**
- **Ensures preparedness to respond to health protection concerns and emergencies**
- **Support local authorities**



# Leverage from the public health ring fence







# Infrastructure for workforce development

- Public Health England
- 3 Local Education & Training Boards (LETBs) in HEE
- Head of School of Public Health
- London Training Programme Directors
- Faculty of Public Health
- **Healthy Lives, Healthy People: A Public health workforce strategy (April 2013)**



# The London picture

85% (22 of 26) DsPH responded in September 2013

- a reported 434 PH staff in local authorities (an estimated 500- 550 PH posts if all DsPH responded to the survey)
- 69 of 434 (15.9%) consultant medical and non-medical staff
- 8 (1.8%) PH specialist staff (Afc 8d/9)
- 283 (65.2%) PH practitioner (Afc 6 – 8c)
- 74 (17.1%) Admin and support staff (Afc 5 & < – 6)
- 302 (69.6%) substantive appointments
- 30 (6.9%) interim appointments
- 77 (17.7%) vacant



## Priorities for workforce development in London

- Development of career pathways – focus on the development of the voluntary UK Public Health Register (UKPHR)
- Revalidation of medically qualified PH specialists
- Regulation of PH specialists
- Appointment of DsPH and PH consultants
- Education and training in public health
- Leadership for public health
- PH knowledge and intelligence capability