Service performance and recommendations for the Spending Review

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Change in spending since 2010-11

Source: Performance Tracker 2018
Notes: Figures relate to day-to-day spending, with the exception of GP spending, which includes capital.
Pressures on public services

- Demand has grown at different rates for different services
- Efficiency improvements
  - Limiting pay rises, asking staff to do more
  - Increased user contributions
  - Some examples of new ways of working
- Emerging pressures across many services
  - Declining quality
  - Recruitment and retention
  - Overspending
Recommendations for the Spring Statement and Spending Review

• Focus on performance: what service is expected for the money?

• Make use of external expertise

• Explain the Government’s fiscal objectives and the spending envelope

• Address problems that fall across departmental boundaries