A summary of the adult social care sector and workforce in Nottingham 2023/24

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The information within this summary has been produced by Skills for Care using the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS). We use the data collected by the ASC-WDS to create workforce models that, in turn, allow for estimates of the whole adult social care workforce and its characteristics to be produced. The * notation indicates the figure has been suppressed.

Size and structure of the workforce

In 2023/24 the adult social care sector in England had an estimated 18,500 organisations with 40,000 care-providing locations and a workforce of around 1.84 million posts. The total number of posts in Nottingham was around 15,500 in 2023/24. This was comprised of 13,500 filled posts and 2,200 vacant posts across all sectors.

Since the previous year, the total number of posts has increased by 650 (4%), the number of filled posts were similar and the number of vacancies has increased by 600 (38%).

The estimated 13,500 filled posts were split between local authorities (8%), independent sector providers (74%), posts working for direct payment recipients (11%) and other sectors (7%).

In 2023/24, the CQC register showed there were 214 regulated services in Nottingham; 79 were residential and 135 were non-residential services.

If the workforce grows proportionally to the projected number of people aged 65 and over **then the** total number of adult social care posts in the East Midlands region will increase by 29% (from 174,000 to **226,000 thests**) between 2023/24 and 2040.

From here on, the figures in this report refer to the 11,000



Across England, the vacancy rate has decreased compared to last year and the number of filled posts has increased. During