

Priority setting work showcased at regional event

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HSMC academics, **Suzanne Robinson** (<http://www.hsmc.bham.ac.uk/staff/Robinson.shtml>) and **Helen Dickinson** (<http://www.hsmc.bham.ac.uk/staff/Dickinson.shtml>), were recently invited to speak on priority setting at a National Prescribing Centre meeting. The event was targeted at key clinicians and managers either currently involved in, or soon to be involved in, Local Decision Making in the South East Coast and South Central SHA areas. Suzanne and Helen also presented results from their national study on priority setting activity in England.

Further details of this study can be found on the **HSMC** (<http://www.hsmc.bham.ac.uk/research/priority-setting.shtml>) and **Nuffield Trust** (<http://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/projects/index.aspx?id=727>) websites.

Recent publications

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