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If you win the pools but spend like a lottery winner.....

- The NHS has had periodic financial crises in the last 10 years despite record growth
- The NHS will receive the lowest settlements it has ever received in the coming years
- The NHS is relatively well off in UK Public Sector terms but faces legislative and structural issues in meeting point 2 above
- Recovery will come from engaging with the doctors
- Recovery will come from discussing tough choices with the public not imposing the answers
- There is sufficient knowledge about clinical variation and cost structures in the NHS to take informed decisions
- Post recovery there will be fewer financial crises than before not more

