Current Awareness List for May 2004

01/06/2004

To: Current Awareness

Subject: ALCOHOL ADOLESCENCE

Meikle, Stuart
Think drink
Journal Title: Young People Now
2004 MAY 12 (234): 19-
Teenagers are drinking more, and more often. The author describes how he worked with a group of young people in South Tyneside on an alcohol awareness campaign

Subject: ALLERGIES

Nolan D
How to manage food allergy
Journal Title: Practice Nurse
2004 MAY 14th 27 (8): 64 - 70
Discusses how to identify and manage those patients who have a genuine food allergy

Subject: ARTHRITIS SEXUAL PROBLEMS

Hill Jackie
The impact of rheumatoid arthritis on patients’ sex lives
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 18 100 (20): 34 - 35
This article reports on a review of the literature assessing the problems that patients experience and whether they are addressed by health professionals.

Oliver, Susan
Social and psychological issues in rheumatoid arthritis
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
Discusses the social and psychological issues related to chronic disease care, focussing on rheumatoid arthritis

O'Donovan, Judy
Managing rheumatoid arthritic: the role of nurses in a multidisciplinary team
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 MAY 14 (4): 30 - 32
Discusses the role of nurse specialists in the area of rheumatoid arthritis

Subject: ASTHMA PATIENTS CLINICAL GUIDELINES

McALLISTER Judith
An overview of the current asthma disease management guidance
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Nursing  
2004 MAY 13 13 (9): 512 - 517  
McAllister, a Community Respiratory Specialist Nurse, discusses SIGN guidelines and the role nurses can play in promoting personal asthma action plans

Heini Angie  
Learning to support practice:-Asthma - 16a Prevention and detection  
**Journal Title:** Practice Nurse  
2004 MAY 14th 27 (8): 73 - 78  
All aspects of improving care provision

Daniel. Lyn  
Tackling childhood asthma  
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care  
2004 MAY 14 (4): 14 - 16  
Reports on a musical asthma initiative, the Bronchial Boogie project, in Oldham, which used fun measures to help children control their breathing, including learning a musical instrument

**Subject:** ATTENTION DISORDERS CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

WHYTE Alison  
Treating children with ADHD  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times  
2004 MAY 25 100 (21): 26 - 27  
Changing Lanes is a new project helping children to regain control of their lives

**Subject:** AUTISM DYSLEXIA DYSPRAXIA

SNELL Janet  
Stuck in the middle  
**Journal Title:** Community Care  
2004 MAY 13 (1522): 38 - 40  
Highlights how the current system (which distinguishes learning difficulties from other mental health categories) fails to adapt to those with autistic spectrum disorders who fall into neither category

EVANS Kerry  
One family's fight  
**Journal Title:** Community Care  
2004 MAY 13 (1522): 42 - 43  
Evans, mother of two severely autistic sons, describes how the struggle for services affect family life and depends on where you happen to live

Learner, Sue  
Now I have friends.  
**Journal Title:** Young People Now  
2004 MAY 19 (235): 18 - 19  
The article looks at some examples of support services available for young people with Asperger's syndrome.

**Subject:** Bereavement Children
Brewin, Katie
Guiding light
Journal Title: Young Minds
2004 May (70): 16 - 17
Explains how the Candle Project and local hospices are helping bereaved children and their families

Subject: BREAST CANCER EXERCISE AND SPORT
Rintala, Pirjo E.
Low intensity exercise in healthy-weight women reduces risk of breast cancer
Journal Title: Evidence-based Healthcare
2004 Apr 8 (2): 69 - 70
Looks at whether there is an association between physical activity and the risk of breast cancer

Subject: BREAST FEEDING
National Breastfeeding Awareness Week.
Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 May 77 (5): 166 - 167
The National Breastfeeding Awareness Week is focusing on young mothers and those who are least likely to breastfeed by highlighting the benefits of breastfeeding for both mother and baby

Subject: CARDIAC REHABILITATION EXERCISE AND SPORT EVIDENCE BASED HEALTH
Appleton, Barbara
The role of exercise training in patients with chronic heart failure
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 Apr 22 13 (8): 452 - 456
This article presents a systematic review of the literature relating to exercise training and CHF. It then attempts to identify the most effective programme of exercise

Subject: CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES ALCOHOL FOLIC ACID WOMENS HEALTH
Mennen, Louise
High alcohol and low folate intake increases risk of major chronic disease in women
Journal Title: Evidence-based Healthcare
2004 Apr 8 (2): 71 - 73
Considers whether there is an association between alcohol and folate intake and the risk of cardiovascular disease and cancer in women?

Subject: CATHETERES MEDICINES INTRAVENOUS THERAPY
Todd, Joanne
Choice and use of peripherally inserted central catheters by nurses
Journal Title: Professional Nurse
2004 May 19 (9): 493 - 497
Discusses the advantages of using peripherally inserted central catheters (PICCs) for patients requiring IV treatment of between six weeks and six months
Subject: **CHILD & ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY PERSONAL & SOCIAL SKILLS SCHOOLS**

Bale, Chris
Mishara, Brian
Developing an international mental health promotion programme for young children

**Journal Title:** International journal of Mental Health Promotion
2004 MAY 6 (2): 12 - 16
Reports on a programme to education young children to expand their range of effective coping skills, in order to prevent problems in later life

Subject: **CHILD PROTECTION VOLUNTARY SERVICES SOCIAL SERVICES**

LEASON Katie
Benefit or Burden

**Journal Title:** Community Care
2004 MAY 20 (1523): 30 - 32
Report on a pilot project which uses volunteers to visit children on the protection register and questions whether it will help social workers

Whitfield, Lyn
Children: toeing the line

**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
2004 APR 29 114 (5903): 28 - 29
The Children's Bill focuses on agencies and professionals sharing data. This article reports on the practicalities of information referral and teaching

Subject: **CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE**

Moosa-Mitha, Mehmooma
Research into practice

**Journal Title:** Community Care
2004 MAY (1521): 50 - 50
Reports on research that found that the portrayal of children in the sex industry as passive victims is not the whole picture

Subject: **CHILDREN DIET HEALTH PROMOTION**

McKENZIE Shannon
Into the mouths of babes

**Journal Title:** Public Health News
2004 MAY (5): 7 - 7
National Heart Forum makes recommendations and puts the case for control on the food and drink industry's marketing of processed foods to children.

Subject: **COMMUNICATION SKILLS MENTAL HEALTH**

Perkins, Rachel
The information gap: we need to get better at information provision

**Journal Title:** Open Mind
2004 MAY (127): 14 -
This article challenges mental health workers’ perceptions of the quality of the
information that they provide

Subject: COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING PUBLIC HEALTH
ARNOLD Phil; TOPPING Annie; HONEY Stephanie
Exploring the contribution of district nurses to public health
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 MAY 9 (5): 216 - 224
A qualitative study undertaken in a PCT in Yorkshire found that district nurses were undertaking many public health functions. Article puts the case for better referral management and skill development for further contribution to health improvement by district nurses.

Asprey, Anne
The reality of Evercare
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 MAY 14 (4): 21 - 22
Reports on the use of the Evercare model of community nursing care which has been imported from the US and piloted in nine PCTs across England

Subject: CONTINENCE BOWEL DISORDERS
Continence Supplement
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 18 100 (20): 45 - 80
Supplement including Teenagers with continence problems: Product evaluation: disposable pull ups versus nappies; establishing bowel dysfunction service within primary care; female stress urinary incontinence

Betts, Ann
Developing a continence service the Bradford way
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
Explains how a common score that could be used for all was developed for continence care

Subject: DEATH LAW ETHNIC GROUPS
DIMOND Bridgit
Disposal and preparation of the body: different religious practices
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 MAY 13 13 (9): 547 - 549
Legal aspects of death are discussed and religious practices of Christians, Jews, Muslims, Sikhs, Hindus and Buddhists are outlined

Subject: DEPRESSION ELDERLY MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION
SCOFIELD I; STARK S; LOWNDES A; TOLSON D
The detection and prevention of depression in older people
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 25 100 (21): 32 - 35
The best practice statement forms part of a national practice development initiative and aims to demonstrate how nurses can work with older people and their families to prevent clinical depression
Subject: DIABETES PUBLIC HEALTH

Yajnik, Chittaranjan S.
Individuals born in the USA in the year 2000 have a 1 in 3 risk of contracting diabetes mellitus in their lifetime
**Journal Title:** Evidence-based Healthcare
2004 APR 8 (2): 80 - 81
Looks at how likely people in the United States are to contract diabetes mellitus and concludes that it is common and should be a public health priority.

Hewitt J
Diabetic complications in ethnic minority elders
**Journal Title:** Practical Diabetes International
2004 MAY 21 (4): 134 - 139
Ethnicity and prevalence of diabetic complications in elderly patients

Hewitt J
Ethnicity and prevalence of diabetic complications in elderly patients
**Journal Title:** Practical Diabetes International
2004 MAY 21 (4): 139 -
A study to assess whether ethnicity plays a role in the prevalence of diabetic complications in elderly patients

Kirkland F
Implementing the NSF for Diabetes
**Journal Title:** Practice Nurse
2004 MAY 14th 27 (8): 50 - 56
Primary care is expected to manage the care of an increasing proportion of patients with diabetes. Looks at how practice nurses can meet the challenge of the NSF

Rodgers, Jill
Adopting an empowerment approach in diabetes consultations
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care
2004 MAY 14th 14 (4): 35 - 37
Continues a discussion on standard 3 of the National Service Framework for Diabetes, with an in-depth look at empowerment using a particular model

Subject: DIET EXERCISE AND SPORT OBESITY

GATELY Paul
The alternative fat camp
**Journal Title:** Young People Now
2004 MAY 5 ( ): 13 - 13
Prof P Gately is pioneering the fat camp approach which focuses on exercise, diet, health education and support

Subject: DRUG DEPENDENCE ALCOHOL

Pryor W
Being human addiction as catalyst
**Journal Title:** Drug Link
Great great grandson of Charles Darwin and one time heroin addict, William Pryor, argues that, whatever it is, addiction is not an illness and can be a catalyst in the search for what it is to be truly human.

Subject: DRUG EDUCATION ADOLESCENCE HEALTH PROMOTION

READFEARN Graham
Dazed and confused
Journal Title: Young People Now
2004 MAY 5 ( ): 16 - 17
Report on a project in Leeds which is educating young people about drugs so that they can make informed decisions.

Subject: ELDERLY ACCIDENT PREVENTION EVALUATION

ALLEN Terry
Preventing falls in older people: evaluating a peer education approach
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 MAY 9 ( 5 ): 195 - 200
A peer education programme in Bradford gave one-off sessions to older people which was well received but revealed undisclosed falls - meaning that those in need of aids or adaptations do not feel empowered to seek help.

Crown, June
Mental health of older people: new inquiry launched
Journal Title: Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2004 MAY 124 ( 3 ): 111 - 111
Considers the particular factors which affect the mental health of older people.

Butler, Robert N. et al
Maintaining cognitive health in an ageing society
Journal Title: Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2004 MAY 124 ( 3 ): 119 - 121
Reviews the research findings and recommendations for maintaining cognitive health that were presented at a meeting sponsored by the Alliance for Health and the Future in November 2003.

Leaver, Rachael
The single assessment process
Journal Title: Professional Nurse
2004 MAY 19 ( 9 ): 513 - 513
The introduction of a new multi-agency approach to assessing the needs of older people requires collaboration across services and a partnership with higher education.

Subject: EMPLOYMENT (incl. Unemployment) HEALTH INEQUALITIES

BARTLEY M; SACKER A; CLARKE P
Employment status, employment conditions, and limiting illness: prospective evidence from the British household panel survey
Journal Title: Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2004 JUN 58 ( 6 ): 501 - 506
Having secure employment and favourable working conditions reduces the risk of developing limiting illness. Secure employment improves the likelihood of recovery.

Subject: EXERCISE AND SPORT ADOLESCENCE

de Castella, Tom
Off street corners and onto the playing fields.
Journal Title: Young People Now
2004 MAY 19 (235): 9 -
The appeal of sports such as football can be an important draw for youth work.

Subject: FOOT PATIENT ASSESSMENT

Howell, Mandy and Thirlaway, Susan
Integrating foot care into the everyday clinical practice of nurses.
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 APR 22 13 (8): 470 - 473
This article describes how the nursing team used education to improve foot care services offered to patients.

Subject: GAMBLING PUBLIC HEALTH

RAYNER Geof
Gambling with people's health
Journal Title: Public Health News
2004 MAY 3 ( ): 8 - 9
The Gambling Bill will probably generate revenue for government, but the likely costs to public health has not been considered

Subject: HEALTH PUBLIC HEALTH

ZIERSCH A M; BAUM F E
Involvement in civil society groups: Is it good for your health?
Journal Title: Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2004 JUN 58 (6): 493 - 500
Australian study found that civil society groups were good for the community but was not beneficial to the health of the individual

Subject: HEALTH AND SAFETY LAW

GRIFFITH Richard; STEVENS Mary
Legal requirements for safe handling in community care
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 MAY 9 (5): 211 - 215
Puts the case of a patient's right to be lifted manually and stresses the need for NHS trusts to develop manual handling policies and risk assessment strategies that strike a balance between risk and need.

Subject: HEALTH INEQUALITIES PUBLIC HEALTH STATISTICS

Low, Allan
Health inequalities: measure for measure
Explains how government guidance on measuring health inequalities is rife with inconsistencies. A system that reveals percentage health gaps should make the task more effective.

Subject: HEALTH POLICY PATIENTS EMPOWERMENT

Akid, Matthew
Forum for all
Journal Title: Primary Care
2004 MAY 26 - 27
Reports on involving patients and the public in decisions about health

Buckley, Jenny
User involvement in care: avoiding tokenism and achieving partnership
Journal Title: Professional Nurse
2004 MAY 19 (9): 499 - 501
Describes an initiative in one trust in which patients with cancer were able to take a lead in improving services

Subject: HEALTH PROMOTION ACCIDENT PREVENTION ELDERLY EXERCISE AND SPORT

HAINSWORTH Terry
The role of exercise in falls prevention for older people
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 28 - 29
Discusses interventions and their effectiveness; including evidence cited in a 2004 Cochrane review that muscle strengthening and balance retraining are effective. Evidence supporting the benefits of t'ai chi has been evaluated by NICE (www.nice.org.uk/pdf/Falls)

Subject: HEALTH SERVICES HEALTH POLICY PATIENTS EMPOWERMENT

Winstanley, Susan et al
Users and carers views about health services
Journal Title: Journal of Community Nursing
2004 MAY 18 (5): 4 - 13
Discusses the findings of a study which was used to determine what questions users and carers should be asked about future healthcare provision in their area

Subject: HEALTH VISITING CHILD ABUSE

Brocklehurst, Neil and others
The contribution of child health visitors to supporting vulnerable children and their families at home
Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 MAY 77 (5): 175 - 177
This paper summarises focus group data from specially trained health visitors in an evaluation of intensive home visiting programmes in 40 GP practices.
Subject: HEART FAILURE CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES EVIDENCE BASED HEALTH

Mead Mike
Treatment of heart failure
Journal Title: Practice Nurse
2004 MAY 14th 27 (8): 44 - 48
Looks at the landmark trials that provided the evidence base for current diagnoses and therapy in heart failure

Subject: HIV & AIDS SEXUAL HEALTH

Elton Jayne
Community nursing in South Africa
Journal Title: Practice Nurse
2004 MAY 14th 27 (8): 30 - 41
Community Nursing in South Africa. A healthcare project treating people with HIV/AIDS

Subject: HOUSING ADOLESCENCE EDUCATION

PLUMMER John
The bleak consequences of living in unfit housing
Journal Title: Young People Now
2004 APR 28 (232): 9 - 9
Homelessness charities are expanding into health and education; Plummer looks at what charities are doing to help teenagers who grow up in poor accommodation.

Subject: INFECTION CONTROL

Parker, Lynn
Infection control: maintaining the personal hygiene of patients and staff
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 APR 22 13 (8): 474 - 478
This article concentrates on the importance of personal hygiene for staff and patients in reducing the risk of healthcare-associated infections. It provides an historical context to the associated risks of basic nursing care and how these can be counteracted.

Subject: LEG ULCERS PATIENT ASSESSMENT

DOWSER C
Our agenda is to raise the standard of venous leg ulcer care
Journal Title: Journal of Wound Care
2004 MAY 13 (5): 167 - 170
Part of a series, this paper overviews diagnosis, treatment options and delivery of care

Subject: MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

HUDSON Bob
Tightening up work
Journal Title: Community Care
Report on a conference which looked at integrated working which is now a reality for many front-line professionals.

Subject: MENS HEALTH NURSING HEALTH PROMOTION

PEATE Ian
Men's attitudes towards health and the implications for nursing care
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 MAY 13 13 ( 9 ): 540 - 545
Considers men's health and the effect their attitude and behaviour has on their health. Discusses how nurses can deliver gender-sensitive healthcare in partnership with their male clients.

Wilkins, David
Speak out
Journal Title: Health Service Journal
2004 APR 29 114 ( 5903 ): 23 -
Men are often criticised for their reckless behaviour but only a foolish health campaigner would try to outlaw risk altogether

Pringle, Alan
Can watching football be a component of developing a state of mental health for men?
Journal Title: Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2004 MAY 124 ( 3 ): 122 - 128
Explores the perceived benefits to mental health for fans gained from the supporting experience in such areas as stress relief, catharsis and the development of good parent-child relationships

Subject: MENTAL HEALTH DRUG DEPENDENCE HOMELESS PERSONS PRISONS

FORREST Emma
Mental Health - The needs of repeat offenders
Journal Title: Health Service Journal
2004 MAY 20 114 ( 5906 ): 33 - 33
Report on the London-based charity, Revolving Doors, which has link-worker schemes located near a prison or young offenders' institution

FORREST Emma
Faith healers
Journal Title: Health Service Journal
2004 MAY 20 114 ( 5906 ): 28 - 29
Forrest describes one mental health and social care trust's efforts to raise staff awareness of Islam and the needs of Muslim patients

Ashton, John R.
The challenges of positive mental health
Journal Title: Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
Challenges attitudes to mental health and suggests that the current medical model will not lead to the promotion of good mental health
**Subject: NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE PUBLIC HEALTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

McGAURAN Ann  
**Journal Title:** Public Health News  
2004 MAY 10 ( ): 8 - 9  
Directors of Public Health across England give their assessment of future options

GATES Liz  
Who wants to be a DPH?  
**Journal Title:** Public Health News  
2004 MAY 10 ( ): 11 - 12  
PCT's have revived Directors of Public Health but with a wider remit (from diets of truckers to the sexual health of sailors). Article reports on what it takes to be a DPH and the task they face.

**Subject: NHS DIRECT EMERGENCY CARE**

WILDING Paul  
Clinical management first opinion on Emergency Care  
**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal  
2004 MAY 20 114 ( 5906 ): 29 - 29  
Wilding, a medical director NHS Direct W Yorkshire, discusses DoH options in their endeavour to modernise

**Subject: NURSE PRACTITIONERS SURGERY**

Sandford, Rebecca  
Leading a day-case medical unit  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times  
2004 MAY 11 100 ( 19 ): 24 - 25  
Describes one of the first nurse-led day-case medical units in the country

Smy, Janis  
Addressing barriers in headache care  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times  
2004 MAY 11 100 ( 19 ): 26 - 27  
Describes the work of 2 clinical specialist nurses running a headache specialist service

Fletcher, Monica  
Guidelines for improving care in respiratory disease in the UK  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times  
2004 MAY 11 100 ( 19 ): 30 - 31  
Argues for a national service framework for respiratory disease as more than 8 million people in the UK have a respiratory condition and 1 in 4 die from them.

DOWDING Dawn; THOMPSON Carl  
Using decision trees to aid decision-making in nursing  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times
Outlines an approach to analysing clinical problems and suggests decision analysis to assist nurses with decision-making

Subject: NURSES, Teaching & Assessing NURSING EDUCATION COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING

Fear, Tina
Community placements for pre-reg nurses
Journal Title: Journal of Community Nursing
2004 MAY 18 (5): 32 - 34
Describes an evaluation of a 14 week broad-based community experience for pre-reg students

Subject: NURSING CLINICAL GUIDELINES PATIENT ASSESSMENT

Thompson Carl
Strategies for avoiding pitfalls in clinical decision-making
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 18 100 (20): 40 - 42
First in a series of 4 articles exploring how nurses make decisions. It distinguishes clinical judgement from the process of decision-making and looks at the sorts of decisions nurses make and what can go wrong.

Subject: NUTRITION

Parent power works! BBC publishes nutrition policy ... and Bob the Builder is shamed into action
Journal Title: Food Magazine
2004 APR (65): 1 - 3
BBC Worldwide's food and nutrition policy commits it to use nutritional guidelines for the sorts of food that can be promoted by its licensed pre-school characters.

Children's food as salty as ever.
Journal Title: Food Magazine
2004 APR (65): 7 -
A year after the FSA issued salt guidelines, little has changed. In a survey of 20 children's foods, 75% contained the same high salt levels

BEST Carolyn
The correct positioning and role of an external fixation device on a PEG (percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy tube)
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 50 - 51
Part of the Nutrition supplement; describes how correct positioning of the external fixation device can reduce the risk of inflammation and overgranulation

HAMDY Shaheen
The diagnosis and management of adult neurogenic dysphagia
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 52 - 54
Part of the Nutrition supplement; Hamdy, a scientist from Dept of Gastrointestinal Science, Univ of Manchester describes the assessment of swallowing in dysphagia; and stresses the importance of optimal management to prevent malnutrition, dehydration and complications of pulmonary aspiration which may be fatal.
DIMOND Bridgit
Legal issues concerning the withholding of feeding from patients
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 56 - 59
Part of the Nutrition supplement; Dimond, a barrister and professor (Univ of Glamorgan) examines legal issues relating to both a competent and a mentally incapacitated patient since there are no statutory provisions

GODFREY Kathryn
Implementation of the Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool (MUST)
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 61 - 61
Part of the Nutrition supplement; article questions whether it is making a difference Tool can be downloaded from the Brit Ass for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition website (www.bapen.org.uk/the-must.htm)

DAVIDSON Angie
The pharmacological effects of novel nutrients on the immune system
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 62 - 63
Part of the Nutrition supplement; Davidson, a clinical nurse specialist in nutrition and intestinal failure, gives an overview of arginine, glutamine, omega-3 fatty acids and nucleotides; and examines the evidence of their effect on immune function

Subject: OBESITY

Lobstein, Tim
How much does obesity cost?
Journal Title: Food Magazine
2004 APR (65): 11 -
The National Audit Office has put a figure of £0.5bn medical costs; this article suggests that could be a fraction of the true cost.

Hudson, Alison J.
The Counterweight programme tackling obesity in primary care
Journal Title: Professional Nurse
2004 MAY 19 (9): 484 - 486
A programme being tested across the UK is providing nurses with the support, training and materials necessary to help patients lose weight. Looks at the progress made in one practice

Subject: PAIN MEDICINES PHYSIOTHERAPY ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE & THERAPIES

MIDDLETON Carolyn
Assessment and treatment of chronic pain
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 (18): 40 - 44
Middleton, a clinical nurse specialist in a hospital pain service, discusses assessment and a range of treatment methods.
Subject: PALLIATIVE CARE RESPIRATORY TRACT DISEASES RESEARCH

BLACKLER L; MOONEY C; JONES C
Palliative care in the management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 MAY 13  13 ( 9 ): 518 - 521
Review of current evidence found a lack of palliative care for COPD patients. Article reports on the steps taken by King's College Hospital to address this issue.

Subject: PARENTING CHILD BEHAVIOUR DISORDERS

Window, Suzanne
A multi-agency service for child behavioural problems
Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 MAY  77 ( 5 ): 180 - 184
This multi-agency service consists of family support workers, educational psychologists and primary mental health workers. The findings support the accessibility of the new service for children with less complex or severe problems.

Subject: PARTNERSHIP INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS HEALTH PROMOTION

Pluye, Pierre et al
Community coalitions and health promotion: is it that important to develop an inter-organisational network?
Journal Title: Promotion & Education
2004  11 ( 1 ): 17 - 23
Explores the contextual reasons that may be put forward to describe and explain why a coalition can be effective without necessarily depending on a highly-developed inter-organisational network

Tetley, Josephine and others
Older people and research partnerships.
Journal Title: Quality in Ageing
2003  DEC  4 ( 4 ): 18 - 23
This paper describes an experience of working as a partnership on a research project exploring people's involvement in decision-making processes when using care services in later life

Subject: PATIENT ASSESSMENT PRACTICE NURSING MEDICINES

NUTTALL Michaela
Understanding the implications of OTC statin sales
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 25  100 ( 21 ): 28 - 29
Explains the role of the practice nurse and pharmacist in the growth of self-care by patients who wish to charge of their treatment

Subject: PERSONAL & SOCIAL SKILLS SCHOOLS MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION

Weare, Katherine
Murray, Michael
Building a sustainable approach to mental health work in schools
Journal Title: International journal of Mental Health Promotion
Outlines some key actions that can be taken to ensure that mental health work is sustained, as well as introduced in schools

Subject: PREGNANCY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEPRESSION

Thompson, June
pregnancy: depression and domestic violence

Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 MAY 77 ( 5 ): 192 - 193
Studies have found that depression is more common in pregnancy than previously thought and domestic violence (intimate partner abuse) is one of the most common obstetric risks.

Subject: PRIMARY HEALTH CARE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

STIMPSON Vivienne
Let healthcare assistants take the strain

Journal Title: Health Service Journal
2004 MAY 114 ( 5905 ): 34 - 35
Healthcare assistants can relieve pressure on primary care but their training will require inventive thinking for the funding to be forthcoming.

Subject: PRISONS MENTAL HEALTH

CORNER, Julian
Crisis management; why are so many vulnerable people in prison?

Journal Title: Open Mind
2004 MAY ( 127 ): 6 -
The article argues that more effective support should be given to vulnerable members of society before they end up in prison. It quotes the statistic that 70% of prisoners have 2 or more mental health problems.

HARMAN, Robert
At Her Majesty's pleasure; how should we respond to minor offenders?

Journal Title: Open Mind
2004 MAY ( 127 ): 8 - 9
Presents case studies from the Revolving Doors Agency schemes that provide support to vulnerable people with mental health problems.

Subject: PUBLIC HEALTH ETHICS

ROGERS W A
Ethical issues in public health: a qualitative study of public health practice in Scotland

Journal Title: Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2004 JUN 58 ( 6 ): 446 - 450
Study aimed to identify ethical issues encountered by public health professionals and found the need for further research to develop policies.

Surgery
Journal Title: Primary Care
2004 MAY ( ): 27 - 27
Reports on a GP practice that is taking public health messages out into the community

HUNTER David; GOODWIN Neil
Public Health - Coming of age?
Journal Title: Public Health News
2004 MAY 24 ( ): 8 - 9
Discusses Public Health in the light of Wanless which identified the need for an increase in workforce capacity and capability. Lists PCT Public health directors development needs

McDONALD Ruth; SCOTT-SAMUEL Alex
Wanless and the white paper - missed opportunities
Journal Title: Public Health News
2004 MAY 24 ( ): 10 - 12
Argues that the definition for addressing health inequalities was too narrow and the government needs to “fully engage” to achieve their targets.

Subject: QUALITY CARE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE NUTRITION

OXTOBY Kathy
Is Essence of Care making a difference?
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 ( 18 ): 18 - 21
Looks at how nurses in various trusts are driving this new initiative to improve the fundamentals of care

OXTOBY Kathy
Enhancing nurse communication
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 MAY 4 100 ( 18 ): 22 - 24
Discusses Essence of Care benchmarks for communication, and looks at how nurses are addressing communication problems with simple and effective initiatives

Subject: RECORDS CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

Bedford, Helen
Revisiting the Personal Child Health Record
Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 MAY 77 ( 5 ): 174 -
Outlines the review of PCHR that was undertaken as part of Health for All Children

Subject: REFUGEES

TEICHMANN Iris
Gateway to a future
Journal Title: In Exile
2004 MAY ( 31 ): 6 - 9
Report on the Home Office’s Gateway Protection Programme whereby Liberian refugees from camps in Guinea have settled in Sheffield
Subject: RESEARCH MENTAL HEALTH INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

COLOMBO Anthony
Multidisciplinary teams
Journal Title: Community Care
2004 MAY 13 (1522): 52 - 52
Research shows that a hidden medical model agenda may be damaging decision-making within mental health teams. (Int J of Social Science and Medicine, Vol 56)

Subject: SCHOOLS DRUG EDUCATION ALCOHOL

McKENZIE Shannon
Rock and roll
Journal Title: Public Health News
2004 MAY 10 (): 7 - 7
The Rock Challenge is using glamour appeal to encourage school pupils to reject drugs and alcohol and reduce truancy.

Subject: SELF-HARM PATIENTS WOUND HEALING

CORSER R; EBANKS L
Introducing a nurse-led clinic for patients who self-harm
Journal Title: Journal of Wound Care
2004 MAY 13 (5): 167 - 170
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