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To: - Current Awareness

Subject: ABORTION ADOLESCENCE LAW

Dimond Bridgit
Abortion and the girl under 16 years old
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 OCT 12 (8): 517 - 517
This article considers the legal situation of a teenager who consents to a termination without her parents being informed.

Subject: ADOLESCENCE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES HEALTH PROMOTION

Thorp Samantha
School for scandal
Journal Title: Public Health News
2004 NOV 29th (): 8 - 10
Some blame soaring STI rates among UK teenagers on their alarming ignorance. Article finds out how education and health professionals are now reclaiming lost groud.

Subject: ALCOHOL HEALTH PROMOTION

Hobbs Andrew
Arresting Behaviour
Journal Title: Health Development Today
2004 DEC (24): 22 - 23
A range of initiatives aimed at reducing the harm caused by alcohol misuse are starting to have an impact in pubs and clubs in the North West.

Curing A&E’s hangover
Journal Title: NHS Magazine
2004 DEC (): 26 - 27
Work in hospitals on reducing the harm of alcoholism

Subject: ASTHMA

Cole Andrew
Breathtaking epidemic
Journal Title: Health Development Today
2004 DEC (24): 8 - 11
Cases of Asthma have risen rapidly in the UK. Article looks at the various approaches being taken to address what is a major epidemic

Subject: ATTENTION DISORDERS PARENTING
The article describes a group intervention to help parents who have children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). The course was based on a self-help ethos, with peer learning an important element.

**Subject: BACK PAIN PHYSIOTHERAPY**

Cutts Steven
Back pain and it management
Journal Title: Professional Nurse
2004 DEC 17th  28 ( 10 ): 38 - 46
Back pain is the most common orthopaedic complaint seen in primary care. Article explains how it should be managed and offers pointers to serious pathology that requires further investigation.

**Subject: BREAST FEEDING**

Adamson Jan
Implementing informed choice on infant feeding
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 SEP  12 ( 9 ): 586 - 590
Mothers who breastfeed their babies is actually increasing. However despite the valiant efforts of midwives up and down the land, initiatives to encourage breastfeeding are still falling some way short of the government's target of a 2% increase per year.

Carlisle Daloni
Breastfriends
Journal Title: Health Development Today
2004 DEC  ( 24 ): 12 - 13
Breastfriends, a peer support group for women who want to breastfeed, is battling 'the bottle' in Doncaster.

**Subject: CANCER HEALTH PROMOTION NURSING**

ROLLO Ian
Health promotion in cancer treatment and prevention
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 NOV 30  100 ( 48 ): 40 - 42
Outlines the mechanisms that influence the positive effect of physical activity in reducing in risk and highlights the implications for nurses.

Leadbeater, Maria
Evaluating use of a support group in secondary breast cancer care
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 DEC 14  100 ( 50 ): 34 - 36
The article presents an evaluation of a group established to support women diagnosed with secondary breast cancer; overall the group was felt to reduce anxiety and isolation.
Subject: CHILD HEALTH SERVICES CHILD PROTECTION LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Valios, Natalie
The buck stops here. (Children's services)
Journal Title: Community Care
2004 DEC 9 (1552): 36 - 37
The article reviews the role of the lead member for children's services who must now be appointed by every local authority in the wake of the Laming report.

Subject: CHILD PROTECTION LAW SOCIAL SERVICES

Keville, Helen
A third way
Journal Title: Community Care
2004 DEC 9 (1552): 38 - 39
The article looks at how family mediators work in with divorcing parents to keep disputes out of the courtroom.

Subject: CHILDREN NUTRITION HEALTH PROMOTION

Bullen Kathryn
Changing Children's Food and Health Concepts: A Challenge for Nutrition Education
Journal Title: Education and Health
2004 22 (4): 51 - 55
This study suggests that children's food classification concepts remain resistant to change despite enhanced exposure to nutrition information.

Metcalf Brad
The Regulation of Physical Activity in Young Children
Journal Title: Education and Health
2004 22 (4): 61 - 64
The evidence at present suggests that neither better facilities, nor an increase in the amount of time allocated to PE to four hours a week will improve physical activity.
levels in children as a whole and thereby impact on the rising tide of obesity.

Subject: COMMUNICATION SKILLS HEARING DISORDERS
Underwood Chris
How can we best deliver an incursive health service?
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 NOV 14 (9): 20 - 21
A survey of deaf and hard of hearing people has revealed the extent of communication failure

Subject: COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS LEADERSHIP
Bliss Julie
Effective team management by district nurses
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): 524 - 526
This article considers the key role played by the district nurse in managing the district nursing team in order to provide high quality health care.

Hollins M
Community matrons with a difference
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 DEC 14 (10): 14 - 15
Describes the tripartite model of community matrons established in Basildon PCT

Subject: CONSENT PATIENTS NURSE PRACTITIONERS NURSE PRESCRIBING
Griffith Richard
Consent to examination and treatment 3: knowledge of risks
Journal Title: Nurse Prescribing
2004 DEC 2 (6): 244 - 246
Final article on consent considers the nurse prescriber's duty to disclose information about the risks inherent in the treatment of his/her patients. It considers how the law requires a different level of disclosure for patients who ask no questions about risks, those who make general enquiries about risks ant those who ask specific questions about the risks inherent in treatment.

Subject: CONTINENCE CONSENT PROSTATE
KIRKWOOD Lyn
Supplement on Continence
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 NOV 30 100 (48): 48 - 71
Covers prostatectomy, Bog standard campaign, Information for men with post-op incontinence, children's NSF, Guidelines for faecal occult blood testing, Consent to treatment and an evidence-based procedure for digital removal of faeces

Radley Stephen
Sex and the overactive bladder
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 NOV 14 (8): 12 - 14
The treatment of patients with an overactive bladder

Subject: CORONARY HEART DISEASE PSYCHOLOGY PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

SERRANO-MARTINEZ M; SAN JULIAN-ARANGUREN B et al
Primary care nursing of coronary patients and reduction of re-infarction risk: a nested case-control study
Journal Title: Public Health
2005 FEB 119 (2): 112 - 117
Spanish study showed that regular attendees to the nurse clinic had a reduced risk of re-infarction. Study concluded that the main reason for the benefit was psychological.

Subject: DEATH LAW

Griffith Richard
An introduction to the law of death and the body as property
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): 535 - 539
Discusses the potential legal implications surrounding the death of a patient and what district nurses can do to make sure a patient's last wishes are honoured

Subject: DIABETES EYE QUALITY CARE

Walker Rosie
Diabetic retinopathy: protecting the vision of people with diabetes
Journal Title: British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): 545 - 547
The aim of this article is to provide an update on the effects, causes and treatment of diabetic retinopathy and to discuss practical ways in which community nurses can help protect people with diabetes from losing their vision and support them if they do.

Whitty P
Improving services for people with diabetes: lessons from setting up the DREAM trial
Journal Title: Practical Diabetes International
2004 NOV 21 (9): 323 - 328
This paper presents the finding from the process of setting up and running the trial; important lessons have been learnt from producing the guidelines, introducing the new software into the diabetes register, and the early months of running the system.

Oswald G
Transfer to a patient centred, carbohydrate counting and insulin matching programme in a shortened time frame
Journal Title: Practical Diabetes International
2004 NOV 21 (9): 334 - 338
A structured education programme for type 1 diabetes incorporating intensified conventional therapy and CSII

Premixing and preloading of insulin
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
New guidance for community nurses on insulin preloading and premixing has been
published by the RCN Diabetes Nursing Forum

Smith Susan
Nurse practitioner consultations: communicating with style and expertise
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care
2004 DEC 14 (10): 37 - 41
Gives practical advice on how to meet the NSF standards and the GMS contract demands

**Subject:** DISABILITY PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Scullion Philip
Improving primary care services for disabled people - the legal leverage
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care
2004 NOV 14 (9): 18 - 20
What effect will the Disability and Discrimination Act have?

**Subject:** DYSLEXIA LEARNING DISABILITIES

Van der Vloodt Renee
Reframing 'dyslexia'
**Journal Title:** Human Givens
2004 11 (3): 30 - 35
Article shows how working with the talent of 'dyslexia' can remove the learning difficulties associated with it

**Subject:** ECZEMA NURSE PRACTITIONERS NURSE PRESCRIBING

Lawton Sandra
Nurse-led care: the role of nurses in eczema clinics
**Journal Title:** Nurse Prescribing
2004 DEC 2 (6): 239 - 243
This article focuses on the developments of nurse-led care and the prescribing issues that should be considered for this client group

**Subject:** ELDERLY EVALUATION

Drennan Vari
Nurse-led case management for older people with long-term conditions
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): 527 - 533
Provides an overview and evaluation of service models that use a case management approach and discuss their effectiveness

Galpin, Diane
Older people drink too.
**Journal Title:** Community Care
2004 DEC 9 (1552): 40 - 41
The article suggests that current policy fails to recognise the needs for specialist alcohol services among older people.

Parker S.G.
Co-ordinating discharge of elderly people from hospital to the community

**Journal Title:** Evidence-Based Healthcare & Public Health
2004 DEC 8 (6): 332 - 334

This review, which updates previous work, provides the latest evidence on whether a coordinated approach to discharging elderly patients from hospital reduces readmission to hospital, without compromising safety.

Whitfield, Lyn
Nurse-led case management: don't believe the hype

**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 2 114 (5934): 16 - 17

The article reviews the recent Kings Fund report "Case-managing long-term conditions: what impact does it have on the treatment of older people" and repeats the report's findings that there is no strong evidence that case management reduces the level of emergency admissions nor that it is cost-effective; it also failed to find evidence for the superiority of any one model of case management.

Middleton, Benet
Hakin, Barbara
Should we stop copying the US?

**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 2 114 (5934): 20 - 21

The article presents 2 contrasting views on the applicability of US models of care, particularly in long-term conditions.

Holmes Susan
What do we know about...nutrition and older people?

**Journal Title:** Journal of Family Health Care
2004 14 (6): 153 - 155

With an ageing population, improving the nutrition of older people is an important public health issue. Undernutrition in this age group is common and can lead to a downward spiral of poor health - but, as Professor Susan Holmes explains, there are many practical improvements we can make.

West J and others
Do rates of hospital admission for falls and hip fracture in elderly people vary by socio-economic status?

**Journal Title:** Public Health
2004 DEC 118 (8): 576 - 581

The study found that there is some evidence of an association between admission for falls and socio-economic deprivation, with no such evidence for hip fractures.

**Subject:** EPILEPSY NICE

Smithson Henry
NICE epilepsy guideline recommends regular structured reviews

**Journal Title:** Guidelines in practice
2004 DEC 7 (12): 13 - 20

Epilepsy diagnosis should be carried out by specialists but GPs have an important role to play in long-term management of the condition.

**Subject:** ETHNIC GROUPS WOMENS HEALTH SEXUAL HEALTH

Momoh Comfort
attitudes to female genital mutilation  
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Midwifery  
2004 OCT 12 (10): 631 - 635  
The author of this article travelled to Somaliland to discover, first-hand, what sustains practice of FGM and what is being done there to raise awareness of the dangers of FGM.

Arshad Mohammed  
Pregnancy loss- the Islamic perspective  
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Midwifery  
2004 OCT 12 (8): 481 - 484  
The purpose of this article is to help provide an awareness and information for health professionals when supporting bereaved Muslim families.

**Subject:** EXERCISE AND SPORT  
Mutrie, Nanette  
Hannah, Mary K  
Some work hard while others play hard. The achievement of current recommendations for physical activity levels at work, at home, and in leisure time in the West of Scotland.

**Journal Title:** International Journal of Health Promotion and Education  
2004 42 (4): 109 - 117  
Data was collected from a cross-sectional survey of a randomly selected population; the study showed that around one third of the population achieved at least 30 minutes of physical activity on most days of the week.

**Subject:** FAMILY PRACTICE PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS  
Panting Gerard  
Sharing the burden of out-of-hours care  
**Journal Title:** Guidelines in practice  
2004 DEC 7 (12): 21 - 23  
From next month, providers of out-of-hours services will have a new set of standards to comply with. Article explains what this will mean for GPs.

**Subject:** HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PRESSURE SORES  
Stephen - Haynes Jackie  
Pressure ulcer risk assessment and prevention  
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Community Nursing  
2004 DEC 9 (12): 540 - 544  
Pressure ulcers are being seen increasingly as an indicator of care. Article provides an overview of pressure ulcer risk assessment and prevention.

**Subject:** HEALTH INEQUALITIES LEARNING DISABILITIES MENTAL HEALTH  
Trueland, Jennifer  
'Instead of looking at my disability, listen to what I'm trying to tell you'  
**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal  
2004 DEC 9 114 (5935): 14 - 15  
The article previews a report by the Disability Rights Commission which suggests that patients' learning difficulties or mental health problems may prevent them from
obtaining appropriate health services.

Bowers, Jake
Travellers' tales
**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
**2004** DEC 16  114 ( 5936 ): 26 - 28
The article discusses the poor access to health services that is experienced in the travelling community

Spencer Angela
Food to live for
**Journal Title:** Primary Care
**2004** DEC ( ): 18 - 19
How health inequalities in black and minority ethnic communities are being tackled.

**Subject:** HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Quigley, R J
Taylor, L C
Evaluating health impact assessment
**Journal Title:** Public Health
**2004** DEC  118 ( 8 ): 544 - 552
A suggested approach to evaluating Health Impact Assessments is presented, drawing on the significant public health evaluation literature; methodologies appropriate for use and examples of indicators suitable for HIA evaluation are presented

**Subject:** HEALTH POLICY PUBLIC HEALTH

Harding, Mary-Louis and others
Devolution hits the spot but PCTs must prove themselves
**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
**2004** NOV 25  114 ( 5933 ): 14 - 15
Presents a review of the White paper, Choosing health, and specifically its commitment to local decision-making

**Subject:** HEALTH PROMOTION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Douglas, Flora and others
An exploratory study of computer screen-based health promotion messages aimed at university students
**Journal Title:** International Journal of Health Promotion and Education
**2004**  42 ( 4 ): 118 - 126
The use of networked computers as a medium to reach university students with health messages was evaluated. It was shown that further development of the images and underlying messages and consideration of the placement of the intervention is required to improve its general appeal, acceptability and salience.

**Subject:** HEALTH VISITING RESEARCH SOCIAL DISADVANTAGE INFANTS

Austerberry Helen
Evaluating social support and health visiting
**Journal Title:** Community Practitioner
This paper reports aspects of a randomised controlled trial evaluating the effectiveness of two support interventions in improving the health of mothers and their newborn infants in a deprived, inner city area of London.

Glover Thea
Changing practice using a model of clinical effectiveness

**Journal Title:** Community Practitioner

This paper describes the initial stages of a change process designed to enable a refocusing of health visiting practice in order to create opportunities for new community-based initiatives.

Bidmead Christine
Enhancing early parent-infant interaction. Part three: early play

**Journal Title:** Community Practitioner

Attention is given to ideas that can be used by health visitors to encourage parents to engage with their babies in play in the early weeks of life.

**Subject:** HEART FAILURE

Hainsworth Terry
Understanding Heart Failure

**Journal Title:** Nursing Times

It may be a growing problem in the UK, but there is still a lack understanding about what heart failure means - and a lack of funding to address it. Looks at steps that can be taken to manage the situation.

MAJEED A; WILLIAMS J; DE LUSIGNAN S; CHAN T
Management of heart failure in primary care after implementation of the NSF for Coronary Heart Disease: a cross-sectional study

**Journal Title:** Public Health

A study of 26 general practices (members of Kent, Surrey and Sussex Primary Care Research Network) found a greater use of ACE inhibitors with no key investigations for many patients

**Subject:** HIV & AIDS HEALTH PROMOTION

Cairns Gus
HIV UK the irresistible rise

**Journal Title:** Public Health News

The UK was once an HIV prevention success story. Author asks what has since gone badly wrong

**Subject:** IMMUNISATION CHILDREN

Moreton Judith
Changes to the childhood immunisation programme

**Journal Title:** British Journal of Midwifery
Question and answers about the changes to the childhood immunisation programme following the recommendation of the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation

Sengupta N
Does the MMR triple vaccine cause autism?
**Journal Title:** Evidence-Based Healthcare & Public Health
2004 DEC 8 ( 5 ): 239 - 245
In recent years, there has been widespread public concern about the hypothesis that MMR triple vaccine may increase the risk of autism in children. In this review, we examine the background to, and implications of, this controversy. We then assess and explain, using a transparent and reliable method, all the scientific evidence for and against the hypothesis.

Richards Sara
An update on childhood vaccination
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care
2004 DEC 14 ( 10 ): 22 - 24
Article to help primary care nurses cope with parental concerns over the recent change in childhood vaccinations

**Subject:** INFANTS
Recognising and treating infant colic
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care
2004 DEC 14 ( 10 ): 45 - 49
How to distinguish between infant colic and lactose intolerance, and a range of suitable treatment options

**Subject:** INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
HSJ Intelligence - Supplement to Health Service Journal
**Journal Title:** Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 9 114 ( 5935 ): -
The supplement looks at the national IT programme, Choose and Book, the NHS licensing deal with Microsoft and Isabel Healthcare's diagnosis reminder system

Chan Tom
Overcoming the barriers to using information systems
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times
2004 DEC 07th 100 ( 49 ): 44 - 46
A literature review and questionnaire aimed to identify any barriers to the use of information technology by community nurses, such as poor access, insufficient time and lack of appropriate skills

**Subject:** INTERMEDIATE CARE ELDERLY
Fear Tina
Provision of intermediate care by the independent sector
**Journal Title:** Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 18 ( 12 ): 4 - 7
Report on the findings of a small study which hoped to gain an understanding of intermediate care within the independent residential care sector.
Subject: LEARNING DISABILITIES HEALTH INEQUALITIES
Enhancing care for adults
*Journal Title:* Professional Nurse
2004 DEC 17th  28 (10): 21 - 27
Article on a new training pack for nurses that aims to promote the health needs of adults with learning difficulties

Subject: MANAGEMENT QUALITY CARE
If the hat fits
*Journal Title:* Primary Care
2004 DEC  (   ): 26 - 27
Thinking caps at the ready to tackle NHS management issues

Subject: MEDICINES
Shannon, Colleen
Over the counter revolution (Community pharmacies)
*Journal Title:* Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 2   114 (5934): 30 - 31
The article reviews the potential of the new pharmacy contract for providing more direct patient care

Subject: MENTAL HEALTH
Wellard, Sarah
Out of the asylum era
*Journal Title:* Community Care
2004 NOV 25   (1550): 30 - 31
The article traces the shifts that have taken place in the past 40 years in the provision of social care for people with learning difficulties, mental health issues and drug problems

Leason, katie
A cure for depression? (electroconvulsive therapy)
*Journal Title:* Community Care
2004 DEC 2   (1551): 34 - 35
The article reviews the risks and benefits of electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) for severely depressed patients

Hunter, Mark
Glaring omissions (Public health white paper)
*Journal Title:* Community Care
2004 DEC 16   (1553): 24 - 25
The author considers that the White paper: Choosing Health has overlooked the needs of people with mental health needs and has failed to suggest concrete action on matters of sexual health

Forrest, Emma
The right to choose. (mental health)
*Journal Title:* Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 9   114 (5935): 24 - 25
The article queries whether the right to choice is equably extended to mental health services

Subject: MIDWIFERY EVIDENCE BASED HEALTH
Spiby Helen
Evidence into practice for midwifery-led care: Part 4
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 OCT 12 (8): 490 - 494
Article describes the introduction of evidence-base midwifery practice supporting a scheme of midwifery-led care in one consultant unit.

Subject: MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION WORKLOAD STRESS & ANXIETY
MOLLER J; THEORELL T et al
Work related stressful life events and the risk of myocardial infarction. Case-control and case-crossover analyses within the Stockholm heart epidemiology programme
Journal Title: Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2005 JAN 59 (1): 23 - 29
Stockholm Heart Epidemiology Programme (SHEEP), 1992-4 studied patients who experienced a non-fatal acute MI for the first time. Questionnaires, interviews and examinations were utilised; and concluded that specific work related events appeared to be potential triggers.

Subject: NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT SMOKING OBESITY
Cross M
Weighing in
Journal Title: Primary Care
2004 DEC (): 12 - 13
Interview with Chief Medical Officer Sir Liam Donaldson on the public health White Paper, addressing smoking, obesity and other health issues.

Subject: NICE EVIDENCE BASED HEALTH DEPRESSION
Guidance issued on treatment of depression and anxiety
Journal Title: Guidelines in practice
2004 DEC 7 (12): 7 -
NICE evidence-based guidelines on the management of depression and anxiety in adults.

Saul Peter
Dyspepsia guideline will streamline GP care
Journal Title: Guidelines in practice
2004 DEC 7 (12): 11 -
Recent guidance from NICE will help GPs choose appropriate investigations for their dyspepsia patients.

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Dyspepsia guideline will streamline GP care
Journal Title: Guidelines in practice
2004 DEC 7 (12): 11 -
Recent guidance from NICE will help GPs choose appropriate investigations for their dyspepsia patients.
Hainsworth Terry
NICE guidance on preventing and assessing falls in older people
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times
2004 DEC 07th 100 ( 49 ): 28 - 30
Falls in older people are a significant problem causing both injury and loss of independence. New guidance from the National Institute for Clinical Excellence on the assessment and prevention of falls clearly sets out evidence-based practice and is supported by patient and carer information that highlights the need for a patient-centred approach to falls prevention.

Subject: **NURSE PRACTITIONERS PATIENTS**

Barnes Heather
Patients' perceptions of 'uncertainty' in nurse practitioner consultations
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Nursing
2004 DEC 9th 13 ( 22 ): 1350 - 1354
the aim of the qualitative study was to explore patients' perceptions of consulting with an nurse practitioner in situations of clinical uncertainty.

Subject: **NURSES, Teaching & Assessing MEDICINES**

Wright Kerri
An investigation to find strategies to improve student nurses' maths skills
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Nursing
2004 NOV 25th 13 ( 21 ): 1280 - 1284
This article reports on a study that was carried out to investigate whether strategies implemented within a second-year preregistration course were perceived by students to be helpful in improving their mathematical skills for drug calculations.

Subject: **NURSING PATIENTS COMMUNICATION SKILLS**

Dowling Maura
Exploring the relationship between caring, love and intimacy in nursing
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Nursing
2004 NOV 25th 13 ( 21 ): 1289 - 1292
This article uses the five distinct perspectives on caring proposed by MOrse et al (1990) to illustrate the relationship between love, intimacy and caring.

Wall Alison
Implications of the new GMS Contract
**Journal Title:** Journal of Family Health Care
2004 14 ( 6 ): 145 - 146
The GPs' new contract gives nurses many opportunities, and they should make full use of them to develop better services for the public, says health visitor Alison Wall. The way is open for initiative and innovation, but nurses must make sure they get involved

Akid Matthew
Chief priorities
**Journal Title:** Primary Care
2004 DEC ( ): 20 - 21
New chief nursing officer Christine Beasley's outlines her vision
Subject: NURSING PROCEDURES MANAGEMENT

Hoban, Victoria
Nursing by numbers: how to deal with targets.

**Journal Title:** Nursing Times
2004 DEC 14 100 ( 50 ): 20 - 22
The article reviews the principal targets affecting nurses, and suggests ways to manage them

James, Anthony
The legal and clinical implications of crushing tablet medication

**Journal Title:** Nursing Times
2004 DEC 14 100 ( 50 ): 28 - 29
The article reviews the practice of crushing tablets or opening capsules for patients with swallowing difficulties and suggests that it is a practice that has the potential to endanger patient safety and to contravene legal and professional requirements

Subject: OBESITY PARENTING DIABETES

Parents unable to weigh up childhood obesity (EarlyBird 26)

**Journal Title:** Practical Diabetes International
2004 NOV 21 ( 9 ): 319 - 320
Parents are influential in shaping early eating and physical activity patterns in children but, for parents actively to engage in obesity prevention, they must first be aware when their child is overweight and concerned about the associated health risks and stemming the epidemic of type 2 diabetes

Subject: OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE & THERAPIES

O'Driscoll, Eliza
With complements (complementary therapy)

**Journal Title:** Occupational Health
2004 NOV 56 ( 11 ): 16 - 18
The article considers whether complementary therapies, such as acupuncture, Alexander technique, aromatherapy and homeopathy, can be of use to occupational health practitioners

Tyldesley, Annie
Helping you get it right

**Journal Title:** Occupational Health
2004 NOV 56 ( 11 ): 20 - 22
The article assess three organisations, including a hospital trust, who completed an internal review to discover if they were in compliance with disability discrimination legislation.

Subject: OSTEOPOROSIS MEDICINES

Fryatt T
Practice aims to prevent osteoporosis in patients on long-term steroids

**Journal Title:** Guidelines in practice
2004 DEC 7 ( 12 ): 25 - 30
Dr. Tom Fryatt explains how his practice responded to the challenge presented by the RCP's glucocorticoid-induced osteoporosis guidelines
Cooper Alun  
Glucocorticoid-induced osteoporosis: What nurse prescribers need to know  
**Journal Title:** Nurse Prescribing  
2004 DEC 2 (6): 261 - 265  
An understanding to the 2002 guidelines for the prevention and treatment of glucocorticoid-induced osteoporosis it important for nurse prescribers who wish to develop their competency in this area of care

Subject: PAIN MEDICINES

Wood Sharon  
Evidence for using cannabis and cannabinoids to manage pain  
**Journal Title:** Nursing Times  
2004 DEC 07th 100 (49): 38 - 40  
In the past 30yrs there has been a rise in anecdotal evidence from patients on the effectiveness of cannabis in pain relief. This has led to an interest in the potential medical use of cannabis and its derivatives. In the UK this debate has led to expert bodies reviewing the evidence for and against its use in pain management. This article explores the evidence.

Subject: PATIENTS INFECTION CONTROL EVALUATION

Patient evaluation of a recall programme  
**Journal Title:** Primary Health Care  
2004 DEC 14 (10): 18 - 21  
When infection control measures are inadequate patient care is compromised as the views of patient experiences of taking part in a recall programme demonstrate

MacDonald P  
The Angry Patient  
**Journal Title:** Professional Nurse  
2004 DEC 17th 28 (10): 14 - 18  
Explains how to recognise and deal with the anger expressed by patients

Subject: POVERTY CHILDREN PARENTING

SEGUIS Louise; XU Qian et al  
Understanding the dimensions of socioeconomic status that influence toddlers’ health: unique impact of lack of money for basic needs in Quebec’s birth cohort  
**Journal Title:** Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health  
2005 JAN 59 (1): 42 - 47  
Study found that financial difficulties have a significant impact on a toddlers health.

LAWLOR DA; MORTON SMB; NITSCH D; LEON DA  
Association between childhood and adulthood socioeconomic position and pregnancy induced hypertension: results from the Aberdeen children of the 1950s cohort study  
**Journal Title:** Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health  
2005 JAN 59 (1): 49 - 55  
Women born in Aberdeen with viable offspring born up to 1999 were studied. Results suggest no association between socioeconomic adversity and pregnancy induced hypertension.
Subject: PREGNANCY MIDWIFERY

Wood Lorna
Expecting twins and more: support and information
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 OCT 12 (10): 610 - 615
This article discusses the antenatal education programme offered to women who attend a multiple pregnancy clinic within a regional Hospital in the North West of England

Lindsay Pat
Introduction of maternity care assistants
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 OCT 12 (10): 650 - 653
This article outlines the introduction of a new pilot training programme for support workers: maternity care assistants.

Harcombe Joanna
Supporting antenatal screening coordinators
Journal Title: British Journal of Midwifery
2004 SEP 12 (9): 562 - 576
Discusses the role of the antenatal Screening Coordinator (ASC) and a training plan that has been designed and implemented that reflects the unique needs of the ASC

Subject: PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Dix, Ann
Happy ever after: clinical management
Journal Title: Health Service Journal
2004 DEC 9 114 (5935): 28 - 31
A report on the practice (Castlefields Health Centre, Runcorn) that started the Unique CARe model as an NHS alternative to the Evercare model of managing people with long-term conditions that is now being adopted nationwide

Subject: PUBLIC HEALTH ELDERLY NATIONAL SERVICE FRAMEWORK HEALTH POLICY

Cox Janet
Public health and the older person
Journal Title: Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 18 (12): 10 - 12
Gives an overview of the public health agenda and the older person

Chapman, J and others
Specialist public health capacity in England: working in the new primary care organizations
Journal Title: Public Health
2005 JAN 119 (1): 22 - 31
This study reports on a questionnaire survey of public health consultants and specialists based in PCTs and SHAs in England. It identified some skill gaps although a high degree of competency was reported. The authors suggest that professional isolation must be addressed by encouraging greater partnership working across teams.
Brown, J S
Learmouth, A
Mind the gap: developing the PH workforce in the NOsth East and Yorkshire and Humber regions: a scoping stakeholder study.
Journal Title: Public Health
Information was collected by interviews. The study sought to identify the key issues around public health workforce development and training. A lack of national resources is felt to prevent the development of practical programmes.

Subject: RESEARCH PATIENTS PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

VEDSTED P; CHRISTENSEN MB
Frequent attenders in general practice care: A literature review with special reference to methodological considerations
Journal Title: Public Health
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Subject: RESIDENTIAL CARE HIP DISORDERS ELDERLY

Doherty Donna
Preventing hip fractures in care homes 1: view of residents and staff
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
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This article reports findings from a survey of 138 staff from 23 care homes about experiences and perceptions of using hip protectors to prevent hip fractures

Hayes Nicky
Supporting care homes: the older people's specialist nurse
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This article outlines the health needs of older nursing home residents and identifies the case for the role of an older people's specialist nurse within a multidisciplinare care homes support team (CHST).

Fitzpatrick Joanne
Challenges for care homes: education and training of healthcare assistants
Journal Title: British Journal of Nursing
2004 NOV 25th 13 (21): 1258 - 1261
This article examines key issues associated with meeting national standards in the sector with specific reference to education and training provision

Subject: SCHOOLS, NURSING HEALTH PROMOTION

St Leger, lawrence
What's the place of schools in promoting health? Are we too optimistic?
Journal Title: Health Promotion International
2004 DEC 19 (4): 405 - 408
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where health is created, supportive environments are built, partnerships made and skills learned

Subject: SEXUAL HEALTH SEX EDUCATION ADOLESCENCE

Currie J
Teenage sexual health promotion: the dumfries and Galloway perspective
Journal Title: Community Practitioner
2004 DEC 77 (12): 450 - 452
A look at how school nurses and pupils in Scotland addressed the issue of sexual health education

Behind the headlines: sexual health implications for nursing ethics and practice
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 NOV 14 (8): 40 - 49
How nurses can be a force in contributing towards the aims of the UK's sexual health strategies

Sexual health - Chlamydia and Trichomonas infections
Journal Title: Primary Health Care
2004 DEC 14 (10): 33 - 34
Last in series of articles that has selected and advised on effective treatments and is relevant for nurses in any primary care setting who are prescribing for minor illnesses

Subject: SKIN

Freak Jane
Understanding symptoms and management of skin disorders
Journal Title: Nursing Times
2004 DEC 07th 100 (49): 34 - 37
It is estimated that at any one time about 25% of the population has a skin problem that could benefit from medical care. Skin diseases can be physically disabling, disfiguring, painful, intensely irritating and distracting. Relatively few skin diseases are life-threatening, but they can all have severe psychological, physical and social effects.

Subject: SMOKING ADOLESCENCE

Turner, Katrina M
Gordon, Jacki
Young, Robert
Cigarette access and pupil smoking rates: a circular relationship?
Journal Title: Health Promotion International
2004 DEC 19 (4): 428 - 436
The article presents the results of a survey carried out in 2 schools; the results suggest that variations in cigarette access will contribute to school differences in pupil smoking rates

Subject: SOCIOLOGY LIFESTYLE CHILDREN

Winn Denise
Dark materials
Journal Title: Human Givens
2004 11 (3): 24 - 29
Article about the rise in materialistic values and how peer relationships seem subtly to affect this

**Subject: STOMA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Hollinworth H  
Professional holistic care of the person with a stoma: online learning  
**Journal Title:** British Journal of Nursing  
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The vision of a clinical and educational team from Suffolk and South Norfolk led to the development of innovative web-based learning material on caring holistically for the stoma patient

**Subject: STRESS & ANXIETY**

Thompson, Neil  
All stressed out  
**Journal Title:** Community Care  
2004 NOV 25 (1550): 34 - 35  
The article argues that staff recruitment and retention will be dependent on reducing unacceptable levels of pressure and stress

**Subject: STROKE DIET**

Salt and stroke  
**Journal Title:** Stroke News  
2004 WIN (): 20 - 21  
Salt and stroke - the risks explained

**Subject: SUICIDE MENTAL HEALTH**

Gould Mark  
New Dawn  
**Journal Title:** Public Health News  
2004 DEC 06th (): 12 - 13  
The government aims to cut the suicide rate by one-fifth by 2010, and the figures are indeed coming down. But men under 35 are still more likely to die by their own hand than any other cause. Author looks at what can be done to prevent people taking their own lives.

**Subject: VOLUNTARY SERVICES**

Little, William  
It's payback time. (Voluntary sector)  
**Journal Title:** Community Care  
2004 DEC 16 (1553): 26 - 27  
The article comments on a new report by the Association of Chief Executives Of Voluntary Agencies that says that health and social care services have been commissioned from the voluntary sector with insecure short-term contracts and inefficient and bureaucratic procedures.

**Subject: WALK IN CENTRE**
Pope, C and others
What do other local providers think of NHS walk-in centres? Results of a postal survey

**Journal Title:** Public Health

A postal survey was carried out of NHS healthcare providers working in proximity to 20 walk-in centres. The survey showed that overall more local providers were in favour of the services than were opposed; there was more support for centres co-located with A and E departments than 'shop-front' type facilities, but there were concerns that the services were too limited.

**Subject:** WOMENS HEALTH CONTINENCE BOWEL DISORDERS

Collings Sarah
Women's experiences of faecal incontinence: a study

**Journal Title:** British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): 520 - 523

Faecal incontinence is a chronic condition which affects over 1% of the population. Articles discusses what it means to live with FI and highlight the range of experiences of one group of women.

**Subject:** WOUND HEALING COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING

Wound Care Supplement

**Journal Title:** British Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 9 (12): S3 - S30

Wound care supplement includes a study of district nurses' practice of compression bandaging; caring for patients with leg ulcers and an underlying vasculitic condition; uncommon causes of leg ulceration; and issues of equipment provision in primary care.

Hampton Sylvie
The use of tap water for wound cleansing

**Journal Title:** Journal of Community Nursing
2004 DEC 18 (12): 16 - 20

Examines the evidence for wound cleansing with tap water and makes some suggestions for practice.