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ABORTION CHILDREN CONFIDENTIALITY

Higgins, Bernadette
Child's Right to Confidentiality Protected by Abortion Decision
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 10 31 (3): 9 - 9
The article discusses the rights of confidentiality to under 16s where abortion is concerned.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION ELDERLY

Professor Swift, Cameron
Risk Assessment is Key to Preventing Falls in Older People
Guidelines in practice
2005 APR 8 (4): 10 - 18
The article discusses the new NICE guidelines and recommendations on fall prevention in the elderly.

ADOLESCENCE DIET HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

Russell, Natalie
Staying Alive - Project Review
Education and Health
2006 24 (1): 8 - 8
The article is about the Staying Alive Project which had an overall aim to develop methodology that supports increased consumption of healthy food, and uptake of physical activity in defined groups of Islington residents.

Richardson-Todd, Barbara
Sexual Health Services in School: a project in a multi-agency drop-in.
Journal of Family Health Care
2006 16 (1): 17 - 20
The article describes how sexual health services for young people can be successfully offered through a multi-agency drop-in session at a secondary school. Funding from various organisations led to training family planning nurses and school nurses to develop drop-in sessions in high schools and delivered sexual health to young people.

Sumilo, D and Stewart-Brown S
The Causes and Consequences of Injury in Students at UK Institutes of Higher Education
Public Health
2006 FEB 120 (2): 125 - 131
This article is about a study aimed to inform injury prevention programmes by assessing the incidence of injury and disabling injury, and identifying factors predicting injury in students at institutes of higher education.
ALCOHOL
Hall, Steve
Booze nation
Drug Link
2005 NOV 20 (6): 18 - 19
On the link between British culture, the economy and binge drinking

ALLERGIES NUTRITION DIET
Lactose intolerance
Primary Health Care
2006 FEB 16 (1): 41 - 49
The genesis and aetiology of lactose intolerance, a common disorder causing significant gastrointestinal distress worldwide

ASTHMA PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PATIENTS
Saul, Peter
Asthma indicators can improve quality of life for patients
Guidelines in practice
2005 AUG 8 (9): 27 - 33
Well run practices are seizing the opportunities offered by the new contract to optimise the care they offer asthma patients.

Pinnock, Hilary
British Guideline Updates recommendations on Occupational Asthma
Guidelines in practice
2005 NOV 8 (11): 25 - 31
The BTS/SIGN asthma guideline incorporates the latest evidence to help GPs identify patients with occupational asthma.

Dr Jarvis, Sarah
Asthma Action Plans
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 10 31 (3): 33 - 38
The article discusses the concept of self management schemes for asthma patients, it's criteria, and how to make it work.

Mayor, Susan
Getting Asthma Patients to take their Therapy
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 10 31 (3): 40 - 43
The article looks at how to improve adherence to asthma therapy.

BENCHMARKING PARKINSON'S DISEASE CONTINENCE
Thomas, Sue
Using Essence of Care to benchmark continence management of individuals with Parkinson's disease
Primary Health Care
2006 FEB 16 (1): 18 - 20
A new benchmarking tool for Parkinson’s disease and continence care should bring about real improvements for patients. Explains the rationale behind its development

**BLOOD PRESSURE MEDICINES**

Begg, Alan  
Cardiovascular risk assessment is key to BP management  
Guidelines in practice  
2005 AUG 8 (10): 33 - 39  
Structured care and multiple drug regimens can help GPs achieve good blood pressure control in their patients with hypertension.

Tulip, Sarah  
Systematic approach enhances management of hypertension patients  
Guidelines in practice  
2005 JUN 8 (6): 53 - 57  
A pathway to improve patient care won the BHS hypertension category in the 2004 Guidelines in Practice Awards. Sarah Tulip describes the successful implementation of her project.

**BREAST CANCER**

Local guidance has streamlined referrals to breast clinics  
Guidelines in practice  
2005 JUN 8 (5): 49 - 54  
The winning project in the breast referrals category in the 2004 Guidelines in Practice Awards has improved appropriate referrals to diagnostic services and enabled rapid feedback to GPs.

**CANCER PATIENT ASSESSMENT PALLIATIVE CARE**

Dr Bellamy, David  
NICE Guideline Aims to Speed up Diagnosis of Lung Cancer  
Guidelines in practice  
2005 APR 8 (4): 21 - 27  
The article discusses the importance of primary care in the early diagnosis of lung cancer as well as the follow up palliative care.

Murie, Jill  
Cancer Indicators pave the way to improved GP care  
Guidelines in practice  
2006 FEB 9 (2): 23 - 29  
The author explains how meeting the cancer indicators will mean better follow-up and support in the community for patients and their carers.

**CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES**

Hainsworth, Terry  
Improving the Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease  
Nursing Times  
2006 FEB 14 102 (7): 23 - 25  
The article is on Improving the prevention of cardiovascular disease, discussing the guidelines and evidence on prevention and also outlines the implications for nurses.
Mead, Mike
Update on Lipids
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24  31 ( 4 ): 14 - 19
The article is on two new guidelines and a major study on the prevention of cardiovascular disease and its significant implications for primary care.

CATHETERS URINARY TRACT RESIDENTIAL CARE

McNulty, C.A.M and others
Is There an Opportunity to Reduce Urinary Catheter-related Infections? Exploring Variation in Catheterisation Rates in Care Homes.
The British Journal of Infection Control
2006 FEB 7 ( 1 ): 22 - 28
The article is on research carried out by the author who aimed to determine whether staffing, resident underlying illness or nursing band or the use of other toileting methods were responsible for the wide variation in urinary catheterisation rates found in English care homes, because it was found to be associated with increased morbidity. The author used randomly selected registered care homes in three former health districts in England for this study.

CHILD CARE CHILDREN HEALTH INEQUALITIES

Philot, Terry
Caring for the Children in Care
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 14  102 ( 7 ): 18 - 19
The article touches upon the health needs of children who grow up in care, and how nurses are taking a central role in the fight against the long-neglected health needs of these vulnerable young people.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT NUTRITION EXERCISE AND SPORT

Shepping, Natalie
Make the kids alright
Public Health News
2006 JAN 30  (): 10 - 11
Reports on a research project by Ealing PCT to examine and improve the lifestyles of children in deprived communities. The programme includes promoting physical activity and healthy eating among the children.

CHILDHOOD DISEASES ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CANCER

Knox, E G
Roads, Railways, and childhood Cancers
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2006 FEB 60 ( 2 ): 136 - 141
A study on geographical sources of engine exhaust emissions in Great Britain and to link them with the birth addresses of children dying from cancer. Also estimates the cancer initiating roles of nearby roads and railways and to measure effective ranges.
A child-led play project near Bath which has brought the local community closer together won a Community Care Award in the supporting children and families category.

Fraser, Caitlin
Intervention Programs for Children of Parents with a Mental Illness: A Critical Review.
The International journal of Mental Health Promotion
2006 FEB 8 (1): 9 - 20
This review evaluates the quality of the existing evidence intervention programs for children in families affected by parental mental illness.

Simkiss, D E
Integated Care Pathway to Promote the Health of Looked After Children
Journal of Integrated Care Pathways
2005 DEC 9 (3): 123 - 128
A case study on how integrated care pathway methodology was used to improve the coordination of health assessments for looked after children.

Savory, June
Managing Children's Pain
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 28 102 (9): 57 - 59
The article describes how primary health care professionals can recognise, assess and treat children who have acute pain that has resulted from minor injuries, minor illnesses and procedures.

Welsh, B and Others
How Might Districts Identify Local Barriers To Participation For Children With Cerebral Palsy?
Public Health
2006 FEB 120 (2): 167 - 175
This article is a study of how data about participation and the local environment can be explored and be used to identify barriers to participation for children with cerebral palsy.

Ghose, Dipika
Is The Strategy to Ease Child Poverty On Course
Young People Now
2006 MAR 1 (319): 8 - 8
An article on whether the government will reach its target on eradication of child poverty.

CLINICAL GUIDELINES STROKE CHILDHOOD DISEASES

Ganeshan, Vijeya
GPs have a key role in the long-term management of childhood stroke
Guidelines in practice
The new Royal College of Physicians guidelines on stroke in children will help GPs provide holistic care throughout the child's development

Campbell, David
SIGN stroke guideline addresses needs of patients with dysphagia
Guidelines in practice
2005 JAN 8 (1): 21 - 28
The new SIGN guideline will assist early detection of dysphagia following stroke

Fryatt, Tom
Osteoporosis guidance will aid secondary prevention.
Guidelines in practice
2005 FEB 8 (2): 12 -
New NICE guidance will help GPs manage postmenopausal women at risk of further fractures

Cohen, Alan
NICE anxiety guideline highlights importance of psychological therapy
Guidelines in practice
2005 FEB 8 (2): 17 - 24
Discusses the role of cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT) in the management of anxiety, and how primary care should deliver this intervention

Pilling, Stephen and Harvey, Paul
NICE recommends a stepped care approach to managing depression
Guidelines in practice
2005 FEB 8 (2): 25 - 32
Describes the NICE guideline which aims to promote effective recognition in primary care as the first stage in a structured approach to depression management

Sears, Charles
Accommodating the needs of deaf and blind patients
Guidelines in practice
2005 MAR 8 (3): 13 -
Describes several guidelines which advise on adapting premises for patients with sensory disabilities

Dewart, Paul
SIGN advocates team approach to managing incontinent patients
Guidelines in practice
2005 MAR 8 (3): 15 - 25
Reviews the evidence-based recommendations on the primary care management of urinary incontinence of the SIGN guideline

Pimenta, Neale
National enhanced service will benefit patients with MS
Guidelines in practice
2005 MAR 8 (3): 27 - 31
Reviews the opportunities in the nGMS contract to offer enhanced services for patients with MS

Panting, Gerard
How effective is your practice's risk management strategy?
Guidelines in practice
2005  MAR  8 ( 3 ): 44 - 49
Some simple processes can reduce the risk of adverse events in primary care practices

Dr Begg, Alan
The Clinical Indicators: Secondary Prevention of CHD one year on.
Guidelines in practice
2005  APR  8 ( 4 ): 37 - 43
Dr Begg discusses the progress his practice has made during the first year. Also mentions how successful the nGMS contract has been in raising standards of CHD care.

COMMUNICATION DISORDERS SPEECH & LANGUAGE

Williams, Nerys
The silent treatment
Occupational Health
2005  DEC  57 ( 12 ): 22 - 23
Takes a look at what can be done to minimise the risk of occupational voice loss

COMMUNITY CARE

Leason, Katie
A Special Relationship
Community Care
2006  MAR 2  ( 1612 ): 32 - 33
A article on a mentoring scheme - one man's experience of mentoring, and whether the schemes are effective

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING LONG TERM CONDITIONS

Bee, Alan and Clegg, Angie
Community matron implementation: meeting the challenge in Leeds
British Journal of Community Nursing
2006  FEB  11 ( 2 ): 64 - 67
Community matrons are seen as key in delivering personalised, managed care to adults with complex long term needs. This article describes the process of the introduction of the first wave of community matrons in Northeast Leeds

Chalmers, C
The Role of Healthcare Workers in Influenza Prevention: Part One
The British Journal of Infection Control
2006  FEB  7 ( 1 ): 16 - 20
The article discusses the facts about influenza, and offers an overview of influenza and it's prevention, focusing on the use of influenza vaccination in healthcare workers as a public health measure. It highlights potential benefits beyond the protection of individuals against influenza, and considers the impact of health behaviour on improving vaccination uptake in healthcare workers.

Doherty, Laura
White Paper signals a new dawn for nursing in the community
The article looks at the effect the new white paper: Our Health, Our Care, Our Say: a new direction in community services will have on nurses

Shuttleworth, Ann
The rise of the expert patient
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 7 102 (6): 18 - 19
Most nurses are familiar with the idea of creating partnerships in care, but the new white paper 'Our health, our care, our say' heralds an age of self-care and expert patient knowledge. These are concepts that will affect the relationship between nurse and patient

Barlow, Ken
Perceptions of the Role of the Community Psychiatric Nurse.
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 28 102 (9): 34 - 38
This is a small scale study which explores the self-percieved differences between the contributions of community psychiatric nurses and other members of a multidisciplinary community mental health team for older people.

CONFIDENTIALITY CHILD PROTECTION

Lynch, Betty
Sharing information and confidentiality: focused solutions in practice
Community Practitioner
2006 FEB 79 (2): 53 - 55
This paper describes a project developed by practitioners in Harrow to create a sharing information toolkit used by all statutory agencies and many voluntary agencies. The project demonstrates the value of working directly with the front-line staff and describe the benefits of this model on implementation processes.

DENTAL & ORAL HEALTH PREGNANCY

Tucker, Richard
Periodontitis and pregnancy
Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2006 JAN 126 (1): 24 - 27
There is an increasing amount of evidence suggesting a systemic link between periodontal disease in the pregnant mother and pre-term low birth weight. The aetiology of periodontitis is essentially a bacterially induced inflammatory reaction within the attachment surrounding the teeth.

Matear, David
Caregiver perspectives in oral healthcare in an institutionalised elderly population without access to dental services: a pilot study
Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2006 JAN 126 (1): 28 - 32
The provision of dental services to elderly populations is a complicated area. The goals of this study are: a) to gain a better understanding of the perceptions which may govern access and barriers to care within the institutionalised elderly population; and b) to improve information on where and how to target educational and service resources, in order to reduce barriers to care.
Lockyer, Matthew
Meeting the diabetes targets: what lessons have been learned?
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUN 8 ( 5 ): 29 - 38
What challenges have the diabetes indicators presented during the first year of the nGMS contract? Dr Matthew Lockyer takes stock of his practice's achievements

Hazelhurst, Ann
Care of a Muslim adolescent with newly diagnosed diabetes
Multicultural Nursing
2006 FEB 1 ( 4 ): 20 - 24
This article describes the challenges facing a children's community nurse when working with a Muslim family with a child with newly diagnosed diabetes. It shows how assessment and ongoing management can be usefully guided by a Department of Health framework.

Thomson, P, and Fisher, M
Cardiovascular Outcomes in Diabetic Nephropathy
Practical Diabetes International
2006 JAN 23 ( 1 ): 13 - 18
This article is about diabetes and its association with a high risk of the development of cardiovascular disease and renal disease, and for patients with microalbuminuria this risk is increased.

Thomas, S and Stevens PE
Anaemia in Diabetic Kidney Disease: an Area for Improvement?
Practical Diabetes International
2006 JAN 23 ( 1 ): 22 - 26
This article concentrates on kidney disease associated with diabetes, and how it is the most common cause of kidney failure, and how it can be associated with a dramatic increase in the risk of cardiovascular morbidity and mortality and it's significant effect on the quality of life.

Hinchcliffe, RJ and others
Diabetes, Established Renal Failure and the Risk to the Lower Limb
Practical Diabetes International
2006 JAN 23 ( 1 ): 28 - 32
The aim of this article is to review the extent of the association between established renal failure, foot ulcers, gangrene and amputation in diabetes, and to consider the possible mechanisms and clinical implications.

Gallichan, Marilyn
Managing Long-term Health Risks in Diabetes
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 10 31 ( 3 ): 27 - 30
The article touches on management strategies to reduce the risk of long-term complications in patients with diabetes.

Gracia, Enrique and Herrero, J
Acceptability of Domestic Violence Against Women in the European Union: a Multilevel Analysis
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2006 FEB 60 (2): 123 - 129
This study analyses correlates of the acceptability of DVAW in the European Union.

Strachan-Bennett, Seonaid
Confronting domestic abuse
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 7 102 (6): 20 - 21
Reviews the role of the Department of Health's domestic violence adviser

Robinson, Francesca
Domestic Violence
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24 31 (4): 13 - 58
Practice Nurses are being encouraged to take a more proactive approach to tackling domestic violence.

DRUG DEPENDENCE LAW

Shapiro, H
Wake up to take-home naloxone
Drug Link
2005 NOV 20 (6): 5
A change in medical law in June which allowed anybody to administer injectable naloxone will help save many lives. But why has it taken so long?

Wren, Andrea
Generation ecstasy
Drug Link
2005 NOV 20 (6): 8 - 10
Tracks the life of a pill that changed the face of drug use in Britain

White, Mark
Quick fix for the six-pack
Drug Link
2005 NOV 20 (6): 16 - 17
How steroid use spread from body builders to the 'loaded' generation

White, Mark
K is for ketamine
Drug Link
2005 SEP 20 (5): 8 - 9
On the rise of the anaesthetic ketamine

Newcombe, R
Injecting new life into harm reduction
Drug Link
2005 SEP 20 (5): 10 - 11
Britain's success in containing the spread of HIV since the 1980s is one of its greatest public health achievements. But since then, says author, our record on harm reduction has been feeble.
Linnell, Mike  
Flushing out the truth about drugs  
Drug Link  
On the moral dilemmas of getting harm reduction messages across to drug users

Taylor, Diane  
Class A parents  
Drug Link  
around a quarter of a million children in the UK are affected by their parents' drug use. But are drug-using parents bad parents? Author highlights how the right kind of support can enable them to raise happy and secure children

Daly, Max  
Alien Nation  
Drug Link  
2005 JUL 20 (4): 6 - 8  
Much is said about young black men caught in a cycle of anti-social behaviour, but very little is understood. Author talks to 19 year old Hassan Sebowa

Hart, Sam  
Picking up the pieces  
Drug Link  
2005 JUL 20 (4): 16 - 17  
There has been a steep rise in the number of young people getting treatment for heroin and crack problems. Author discovers it's because services have re-shaped themselves to deal with vulnerable children.

Daly, Max  
Ecstacy: the next generation  
Drug Link  
2005 MAY : 6 - 7  
Ecstacy has always been associated with clubbing. Now it is replacing cans of lager and cider as the street corner drug of choice for children on council estates trying to fend off the boredom and bleakness of their lives

Shapiro, Harry  
Nothing about us, without us: user involvement, past, present and future  
Drug Link  
2005 MAY : 10 - 11  
The history of drug user involvement in the UK is a catalogue of dead ends, brick walls and frustrated ambitions. But while the signs are encouraging and some of the lessons of the past are being learnt, there is still a long way to go

Branagan, Olive  
Providing health education on accidental drug overdose  
Nursing Times  
2006 FEB 7 102 (6): 32 - 33  
There is an association between intravenous drug use and an increased risk of death due to overdose. This article reports on the evaluation of a health promotion programme to educate drug users on preventing an overdose and how to deal with it.
DRUG EDUCATION

Gold, Old
Methadone Maintenance
Drug & Alcohol Findings
2005 ( 14 ): 20 - 21
This article gives the history of the first research paper on methadone and its 40th anniversary, and how the effects of it are still visible today.

ELDERLY HOUSING DISABILITY

Ledwidge, Jim
'It's Fantastic!
Community Care
2006 FEB ( 1608 ): 36 - 37
This article describes an innovative large supported housing scheme in Bradford which demonstrates that the extra care housing model is not just for older people. It can work well for severely disabled adults under pension age and be a genuine alternative to residential care.

Wall, Alison
Practice registers are key to care pathway for falls
Guidelines in practice
2005 AUG 8 ( 8 ): 11 - 13
Elderly patients should be asked about their history of falls so that they can undergo specialist assessment.

Armstrong, D and others
Impediments to Policy Implementation: The Offer of Free Installation of Central Heating to an Elderly Community Has Limited Uptake.
Public Health
2006 FEB 120 ( 2 ): 161 - 166
This study looks at the success of a local initiative to provide free installation of central heating for a group of elderly people.

EMPOWERMENT PATIENT INFORMATION

Mayor, Vera
Long-term conditions 3: Being an expert patient
British Journal of Community Nursing
2006 FEB 11 ( 2 ): 59 - 63
Drawing on the experiences of 7 people, this article illustrates how the journey towards being an expert patient can be lengthy and traumatic. The process of becoming an expert patient is described. The article suggests that there is significant potential for the development of a reciprocal relationship between patients and health professionals.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY PUBLIC HEALTH

Dillon, Ruth
Designing Urban Space for Psychological Comfort: the Kentish Town Road Project.
Journal of Public Mental Health
The article presents a series of case studies taken from a lighting design project on the Kentish Town Road in North London to show how urban design can create a more psychologically inclusive public realm - one that offers greater psychological comfort - by enhancing the engagement between users of urban spaces and their environment.

**Epilepsy Children Family Practice**

Kirkpatrick, Martin
SIGN guideline will improve care in childhood epilepsy
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUN 8 (6): 17-29
A diagnosis of epilepsy should be made by an expert but the GP’s role in the care of children with the condition is important too.

**Ethnic Groups Community Care Residential Care**

Bartlett, Sarah
Up Late Again?
Community Care
2006 FEB 23 (1611): 32-32
An article on a community project in Tower Hamlets which provides a service for older Bangladeshi people that is flexible enough to fit in with their cultural needs. The project won a community care award.

Winkelmann-Gleed, Andrea
Migrant Nurses in the UK: facets of integration
Multicultural Nursing
2006 FEB 1 (4): 26-30
This article examines issues related to the motivation, integration and contribution of internationally qualified nurses. The paper is based on empirical research carried out in 2002-03 as part of an Economic and Social Research Council funded doctorate.

Neustatter, Angela
Thinking Beyond Fear
Young Minds
2005 SEP (78): 12-14
This article discusses the climate of fear felt by Muslim children and young people after July 7th, and how this is obscuring the important mental health issues faced by young Muslims in the UK.

**Evidence Based Health Mental Health Medicines**

Ebmeier Klaus
SIGN clarifies the use of mood stabilisers in bipolar disorder
Guidelines in practice
2005 AUG 8 (8): 18-25
Evidence-based guidance should improve the shared care management of bipolar affective disorder in the community.

**Family Practice Information Technology Patients**
Entering accurate information into your computer is essential not only for healthy practice finances but for good patient care too.

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The article provides information on the new guidelines from SIGN concerning breast cancer which should enable GP's to manage the psychological aspects of the disease as well as provide long-term follow-up.

The article is about how smart PCTs are clustering together to make the most of the new market, the decisions GPs need to make concerning the changes, and the importance of patient communication.

The author discusses the government white papers on healthcare outside hospitals, and weigh up the fact they the plans might not work in real terms.

The author describes two health related projects where design for communication has played a central role: a community developed project to promote healthy eating in area of high deprivation and a web-based system for patients to map their emotional journeys alongside their care pathways and contribute feedback that can be used to improve service planning and delivery.

This article suggests that factors beyond the individual's control will affect their choice of a healthy lifestyle. It presents a model that can be used to identify these factors when working with clients to enable them to make a healthy lifestyle an easier option.
Brassett-Harknett, Angela and others
Health Visitors' Awareness of Local Services Accessibility
Community Practitioner
2006 MAR 79 (3): 84 - 88
This article describes a study using a postal survey which was sent to health visitors throughout the UK to ascertain their knowledge, and the accessibility, of services used by young families in the areas which health visitors practiced. The survey was an enhancement to the UK's most recent longitudinal birth cohort study - A total of 302 health visitors supplied information.

Thomson, Hilary and others
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2006 FEB 60 (2): 108 - 115
The article discusses how regeneration programmes may lead to some small positive impacts on health and socioeconomic circumstances.

HEALTH PROMOTION LIFESTYLE
Hainsworth, Terry
Health Promotion Screening and the Life Check Proposals
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 21 102 (8): 21 - 22
This article outlines what life checks are proposed in the government white paper (DoH 2006) what these checks could involve and discusses how they fit in with current health-screening programmes.

HEALTH VISITING LEARNING DISABILITIES
Harrison, Scott; Berry, Liz
Valuing people: health visiting and people with learning disabilities
Community Practitioner
2006 FEB 79 (2): 56 - 59
This paper discusses Access All Areas - a comprehensive programme using a public health model of health care where people with learning disabilities are being supported to make healthy choices and, often for the first time, given information in accessible formats to support those choices.

HIV & AIDS DRUG DEPENDENCE
Garratt, Daren
Rough justice
Drug Link
2005 SEP 20 (5): 14 - 15
Inmates sharing syringes have made prisons a high-risk environment for HIV and other blood borne viruses. So why are the interests of harm reduction so poorly served in our jails

Barclay, Chris
RCP guidelines will encourage GPs to offer HIV testing
Guidelines in practice
2005 AUG 8 (10): 21 - 28
HIV can occur in individuals who do not fall into any recognised risk group. The
RCP guidance clarifies which patients should be tested.

Sheldon, Tony
Routine analysis
Public Health News
2006 FEB 13 ( ): 12 -
With one in five sexually active gay men in Amsterdam being HIV positive, the Netherlands is attempting to encourage gay and bi-sexual men to regard an annual HIV test as a normal part of their life.

HOUSING MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY CARE

Johnson, Robin
Mental Health and Housing: Making the links in Policy, research and Practice
Journal of Public Mental Health
This article documents policy developments at local and national level in England that reflects a growing recognition of the role of housing and the built environment in promoting and maintaining mental health.

HYGIENE

Johnson, Graham
Helping Hands?
Occupational Health
2006 JAN 58 ( 1 ): 18 - 21
The article is about the history and important use of gloves as a form of protection for both staff and patient. and the adverse reaction some experience from them.

IMMUNISATION CHILDHOOD DISEASES

Robinson, Francesca
Pneumococcal Jab Added to Childhood Immunisation
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24 31 ( 4 ): 8 - 8
A short article on the introduction of the routine pneumococcal vaccine as part of a series of changes to childhood immunisation programme.

INFANT FEEDING (incl. Weaning)

Wall, Alison
What Choice in Infant Feeding Methods?
Journal of Family Health Care
2006 16 ( 1 ): 13 - 15
The author argues in this article that parents are entitled to information on all aspects of infant feeding and infant nutrition, not solely breast-feeding, and that not providing this information may put infants at risk by inappropriate use of breast-milk substitutes and poor hygiene practices in feed preparation.

INFECTION CONTROL CATHETERS

Jenkinson, Helen
Is infection in the community a real threat? The example of CAUTI
British Journal of Community Nursing
2006 FEB 11 (2): 50 - 54
One of the commonest health-care associated infections (HCAIs) in the community is catheter-associated urinary tract infection. Many CAUTIs are the result of inappropriate catheterisation, often combined with reduced sensitivity of bacteria to antibiotics. The government's rapid reaction team has recommended the use of a silver-alloy coated catheter; this article suggests that closer surveillance is needed to persuade budget-holders of the cost and clinical benefits of this intervention.

Nathan, Alan
Dermatology Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24 31 (4): 39 - 41
This article discussess fungal infections, there causes, preventions and treatments available.

INTERNET ADOLESCENCE

Hewitt, Olivia
For Better or Worse
Young Minds
2005 SEP (78): 19 - 19
Discusses how the Internet may help and harm young people who self harm. Also mentions some of the support and advice they receive from some of the websites.

LAW PATIENTS

Panting, Gerard
Ensuring that incapable patients receive care in their best interests
Guidelines in practice
2005 AUG 8 (10): 50 - 52
New legislation will clarify the position for healthcare professionals caring for patients unable to make their own treatment decisions.

Coombes, Rebecca
Staying within the law
Nursing Times
2006 JAN 31st 102 (5): 18 - 19
Nurses do not automatically receive postregistration trainin in many legal issues. Those who don't should seek it out.

LIFESTYLE SURE START

Unity Sale, Anabel
A Life-Changing Experience
Community Care
2006 FEB 23 (1611): 30 - 31
Article on the governments proposal to extend the principles of Sure Start to older people.

Graham, Hilary
Socioeconomic Lifecourse Influences on Women's Smoking Status in Early
Adulthood.
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
2006 MAR 60 (3): 228 - 233
Research Report to incorporate women's domestic trajectories and circumstances into analyses of the socioeconomic influences on women's smoking status (current & former smoking) in early childhood

MEDICINES KIDNEY DISEASES
Engova, Dita
Renal Impairment
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24 31 (4): 31 - 36
The articles discusses the need for drug monitoring and adjustment for patients with renal impairment.

MENOPAUSE
Andrews, Gilly
Treating Menopausal
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 10 31 (3): 22 - 25
The article addresses concern about HRT, discussing treatment options and offering advice about diet and lifestyle.

MENTAL HEALTH
Johnson, Robin
All In The Same Boat
Community Care
2006 MAR 1 (1612): 38 - 39
The article features the proposed new Supporting People Strategy which re-opens the debate about the value and potential of housing as a setting for provision of support; the role of low-key preventive services; and the changing nature of community care. in the 21st century.

Murie, Jill
Shared care pathway is key to achieving mental health targets
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUN 8 (6): 38 - 48
The nGMS contract has stimulated a fresh approach to the care of patients with mental health problems. Dr Jill Murie reviews the first year's achievements

Cocker, Christine
Improving the mental and emotional well-being of looked after children: connecting research, policy and practice
Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2006 JAN 126 (1): 18 - 23
The mental health of looked after children has received welcome attention recently, and this in turn has stimulated a major expansion in specialist mental health services for looked after children across the UK. However despite what we know about some of the problems looked after children face, we know very little about what is effective. Efforts now need to be made by practitioners, policy-makers and researchers to collectively concentrate on filling some of the gaps in our knowledge.
This includes making better use of the evaluations of current services to inform the development of these services.

Rogers, Christina
Principles of early intervention in the treatment of psychosis
Nursing Times
2006 JAN 31st 102 (5): 28 - 30
This article discusses the research basis of the interventions, practical issues around its implementation and some possible limitations.

NICE CANCER CLINICAL GUIDELINES

Stokes, Tim
NICE guidelines will improve referral for suspected cancer
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUL 8 (7): 12 - 18
Describes the key principles of the new guidelines for referral for suspected cancer.

Begg, Alan
New contract helps to optimise care of stroke and TIA patients
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUL 8 (7): 29 - 38
Describes the key principles of the nBMS contract and the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) and their impact on the care of patients who have suffered a stroke or TIA.

Panting, Gerard
Always follow the rules when removing patients from your list
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUL 8 (7): 29 - 38
Describes the procedures for removing patients from a GPs list that are set out in the nGMS contract.

NURSE PRESCRIBING

Courtenay, M
Nurse prescribing update
Journal of Community Nursing
2006 FEB 20 (2): 13 - 16
Gives an overview to changes to the nurse prescribing.

Courtenay, Molly
Independent and supplementary prescribing: an overview
Primary Health Care
2006 FEB 16 (1): 21 - 24
Brings up to date with developments in nurse prescribing and explains the changes coming into force shortly.

NURSING NURSE PRESCRIBING MEDICINES

Griffith, Richard
Improving Patients Adherence to Medical Regimens
This article informs nurses of what they need to know on prescribing and administering medicines.

**NUTRITION CHILDREN PARENTING**

More, Judy
Advising parents on toddler nutrition  
Community Practitioner  
2006 FEB 79 (2): 47 - 48  
How do parents make informed choices about how to feed their toddlers?  
Highlights the importance of providing support and information on good nutrition throughout infancy and early childhood.

Van De Weyner, C  
Nutrition, mental health and behaviour  
Food Magazine  
2006 JAN (72): 14 - 15  
a healthy diet can do more than lead to a healthy body. Article on the latest research linking nutrition to behaviour and mental health.

Holmes, Susan  
Nutrition matters for older adults  
Journal of Community Nursing  
2006 FEB 20 (2): 24 - 30  
Identifies the many factors that affect nutrition in older adults and offers some suggestions and appropriate interventions to help community nurses to identify vulnerable individuals and prevent further health decline.

Jefferson, Angie  
Preparing For A Healthier Older Age  
Journal of Family Health Care  
2006 16 (1): 9 - 11  
This article explains the key nutritional and physiological points of enjoying a healthier old age by understanding the practicalities of good nutrition and exercise during middle age and also includes specific practical tips for burning off calories and reducing calorie intake.

**PALLIATIVE CARE EVIDENCE BASED HEALTH**

Gillam, J and others  
The Assessment and Implementation of Mouth Care in Palliative Care: A Review  
Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health  
2006 JAN 126 (1): 33 - 37  
The aim of the present study was to review existing literature published between 1995 and 1999 to determine whether mouth care was effectively assessed and implemented in palliative care setting.

Mathews, Kathryn  
Provision of palliative care education in nursing homes  
Nursing Times  
2006 JAN 31st 102 (5): 36 - 40
Maps the nature and extent of existing palliative care education activities in nursing homes. Gives methodology and results.

**PARENTING SOCIAL WELFARE**

Unity Sale, Anabel  
Just Recycling Old Prejudices?  
Community Care  
2006 FEB 2 (1608): 28 - 29  
This article discusses the government's antisocial behaviour agenda and the Respect Action Plan, which they hope will improve society and the behaviour of young people.

King, Angela  
Age-paced Parenting newsletters: Delivering Healthy Messages  
Community Practitioner  
2006 MAR 79 (3): 89 - 92  
This article sets out the background to and the implementation of a feasibility study, which entailed producing and distributing a monthly newsletter to parents with one GP surgery in St Albans.

**PATIENT INFORMATION NURSING**

Anderson, J  
A Consideration of Memory in Relation to Information Giving.  
Nursing Times  
2006 FEB 28 102 (9): 26 - 27  
Discuss a consideration of memory in relation to information giving to patients who are anxious about their illness or diagnosis.

**PATIENTS LAW CONSENT**

Panting, Gerard  
Making decisions on withholding or withdrawing treatment Guidelines in practice  
2005 AUG 8 (9): 43 - 46  
Patients have the right to refuse treatment but not to demand it under any circumstances. Author considers the GMC guidance on this complex issue.

Courtney, Tracey  
Increasing the awareness of patient misidentification  
Nursing Times  
The scale of misidentification of patients in the health service is significant and can lead to incorrect treatment and even death. The National Patient Safety Agency has recently issued advice on how to prevent misidentification in hospitals. Within health as a whole, there is still potential for improved practice.

**POST NATAL DEPRESSION HEALTH VISITING**

Brown, Helen; Bacigalupo, Ruth  
Health visitors and postnatal depression: identification and practice  
Community Practitioner
This paper reports on a small qualitative study to determine how health visitors identify postnatal depression and the implications this may have for practice.

**PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS MANAGEMENT**

Peck, Edward
A Bit of a Blur? How to Handle Change
Health Service Journal
2006 FEB 9 116 (5992): 22 - 23
The article discusses the PCT and strategic health authority reshuffles, and how it can be better managed.

**REFUGEES ETHNIC GROUPS SOCIAL WELFARE**

Hopkins, Graham
Getting To Know You
Community Care
2006 FEB 16 (): 38 - 39
One London Borough provides organised summer activities for unaccompanied asylum-seeking young people to enable them to mix with staff out of office and get the much needed support and social activities during the summer periods with a chance to meet and make friends with other asylum seekers.

**REHABILITATION SCREENING RESIDENTIAL CARE**

Panesar Pal, N
A Survey of Physical Health Screening of all In-Patients in a Residential Rehabilitation Population
Journal of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health
2006 JAN 126 (1): 38 - 40
This study aims to investigate the physical health status of all in-patients in a residential rehabilitation setting.

**RESPIRATORY TRACT DISEASES**

Saul, Peter
Simple steps can reap rewards in improved care for COPD patients
Guidelines in practice
2005 NOV 8 (11): 37 - 42
QOF data have revealed some mixed results for COPD during the contract's first year. Explains how practices can improve care and maximise income.

Coker, Robina
BTS updates advice on air travel for patients with respiratory disease
Guidelines in practice
2005 JUN 8 (5): 21 - 25
Recently updated evidence-based guidance addresses the particular problems that flying can present for patients with respiratory problems.

Barnett, Margaret
COPD: the role of the nurse
Journal of Community Nursing
Gives an overview of the role of the nurse in the primary care treatment and prevention of COPD

Association of Respiratory Nurse Specialists
Respiratory Care
Nursing Times
2006 FEB 14 102 (7): 43 - 70
A supplement on respiratory care

SEX EDUCATION SCHOOLS SEXUAL HEALTH

Piery, Hilary and Haynes, Gillian
Coherent, Comprehensive and Continuous: Developing a Curriculum for Effective Sex and Relationship Education in an English Primary School
Education and Health
2006 24 (1): 12 - 15
The article gives advices and educates on how best to teach sex education, it also discusses a study on the implementation of a programmes which was re-organised using a structured and integrated approach through a school, (years 1-6 ages 5-11), which resulted in overwhelmingly positive responses from the children involved.

SEXUAL ABUSE LAW

Griffith, Richard and Tengnah, Cassam
Protecting vulnerable adults and children from sexual abuse
British Journal of Community Nursing
2006 FEB 11 (2): 72 - 77
The article describes the key provisions of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, to enable district nurses to be aware of child and vulnerable adult protection issues.

Refusing to pay the price
Public Health News
2006 JAN 30 (): 8 -
Reviews the government's response to consultation on prostitution, which looks unlikely to lead to any increase in resources for agencies involved in increasing routes out of prostitution

SEXUAL HEALTH SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES SCREENING PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Miles, Kevin
Putting STI screening on the primary care nursing agenda
Primary Health Care
2006 FEB 16 (1): 31 - 33
When it comes to sexual health care, what should primary nurses be offering?

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES ADOLESCENCE

Learner, Sue
The Chlamydia Crisis
Young People Now
2006 FEB 15 (): 14 - 15
Discusses why the infection rates for chlamydia are so high amongst young people,
what action needs to be taken to reduce this and what barriers need to be broken.

SLEEP RESPIRATORY TRACT DISEASES
Ramsey, Ann
Wake-up call
Occupational Health
2005 DEC 57 (12): 20 - 21
Looks at the causes and effects of sleep apnoea, and ways to alleviate the condition.

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY CARE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE
Valios, Natalie
Another Money Puzzle
Community Care
2006 FEB 9th (1609): 32 - 33
Although the ideas in the government's white paper on health and social care have been well received, there are concerns about how the blueprint for joint working will be funded.

STRESS & ANXIETY PATIENT EDUCATION PRIMARY HEALTH CARE
Lovell K
Managing stress and anxiety: education for adults in primary care
Primary Health Care
2006 FEB 16 (1): 34 - 40
The implementation, uptake and outcomes of an adult educational intervention for anxiety and secondary depression

SURE START SPEECH & LANGUAGE
Houston, Anna
Mainstreaming Sure Start Speech and Language Therapy Services
Community Practitioner
2006 MAR 79 (3): 80 - 83
The article explains how one Sur Start programme developed a strategy for speech and language therapy (S&LT) that had an impact on the development of mainstream S&LT provision. The strategy explained shows the potential for team working and multi-agency delivery of new services.

TRAVELLERS ELDERLY CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES
McIntosh, Iain
Travel Health
Practice Nurse
2006 FEB 24 31 (4): 42 - 44
The article covers advice a medical professional can give to elderly travellers, like what they can do to ensure their health is protected while away.

URINARY TRACT CATHETERS RESIDENTIAL CARE CLINICAL GUIDELINES ELDERLY
McNulty, C.A.M  
Urinary Catheterization in Care Homes for Older People: Self-reported Questionnaire audit of Catheter Management by Care Home Staff.  
The journal of Hospital Infection  
2006 JAN 62 (1): 29 - 36  
The article is about a self-administered questionnaire which was used to determine care homes staff's reported knowledge of the urinary catheter care standards published by NICE and ACC and to see whether this differed in homes with higher catheterization rates.

WOMENS HEALTH ETHNIC GROUPS DEPRESSION PREGNANCY

Rich-Edwards, Janet  
Sociodemographic Predictors of Antenatal and Postpartum Depressive Symptoms Among Women in a Medical Group.  
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health  
2006 MAR 60 (3): 221 - 227  
The article is about an investigative study on whether race/ethnicity, age, finance, and partnership status were associated with antenatal and postpartum depressive symptoms.

WOUND HEALING AUDIT (clinical or nursing)

Williams, Anne  
A clinical audit of Actico cohesive short stretch bandages  
Journal of Community Nursing  
2006 FEB 20 (2): 4 - 10  
Gives an overview of Actico cohesive short stretch (inelastic) bandages in the management of lymphoedema.

Hydrogels  
Nursing Times  
2006 FEB 7 102 (6): 31 -  
Hydrogels are designed to rehydrate dry wounds and promote debridement

Strachan-Bennett, Seonaid  
Healing the wounds  
Nursing Times  
2006 FEB 28 102 (9): 18 - 19  
Article on Marie White -winner of NT Awards 2005 wound care category, and informs about the drop-in clinic she set up to address the needs of injection drug users with leg ulcers.

Ropper, Ruth  
Principles of Wound Assessment and Management  
Practice Nurse  
2006 FEB 24 31 (4): 46 - 48  
The articles covers the assessment and care management of wounds.