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Dear Colleague

RESEARCH REPORT: NURSE BANKS IN SCOTLAND - POLICY AND PRACTICE

Summary

1. This letter draws the attention of Health Boards and Trusts to the enclosed research report "Nurse Banks in Scotland - Policy and Practice" which outlines the results of a national study of the use of Nurse Banks in Scotland. The study was carried out by Dr James Buchan (when he was employed as Senior Policy and Research Analyst at the Royal College of Nursing) and Ms Sian Thomas, Research Assistant at the RCN and was supported financially by The Scottish Office. The views expressed are those of Dr Buchan and Ms Thomas and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Management Executive.

Action

2. The Management Executive invites Boards and Trusts to consider the contents of the Report and its relevance to their local circumstances. Any comments should be sent to Miss M Marshall, Directorate of Nursing, Room 74 at this address by 30 September 1994.

Yours sincerely

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