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CHIEF SCIENTIST OFFICE: ANNUAL REPORT 1993-94

Summary

1. This circular draws the attention of Health Boards to the Annual Report for 1993-94 for the Chief Scientist Office.

Action

2. Health Board managers are asked to draw the CSO Annual Report for 1993-94 to the attention of all those responsible for and involved in health research, and to those responsible for the implementation of research results. A copy of the report is attached. Further copies are available on request.

Background

3. The aim of the CSO is to identify, encourage, promote and support good quality research in order to improve the health and health care of the people of Scotland. The Annual Report shows how these aims were addressed during 1993-94.

Annual Report

4. The report describes the work of CSO during the year ended 31 March 1994. It reflects an increasing emphasis on research and the benefits to patients and the health service which accrue from implementing the results of research. R&D has potential applicability across the spectrum of health service activities contributing information, analytical methods and introducing a capacity for foresight and scientific intelligence. The challenge we face is to fully realise that potential for improved patient care in the NHS.

Yours sincerely

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