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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	14 Nov 02	<p>The National Health Service (General Medical Services) (Scotland) (Amendment No 438) Regulations 2002</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2002)20</p> <p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards & PCTs: Chief Pharmacists, NHS Primary Care Trusts</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Acute Trusts, CSA: Director, PSD: Medical Directors of NHS Trusts: Chief Pharmacists, NHS Acute Trusts: Directors of Nursing, NHS Boards: Directors of Public Health: Directors of Nursing, NHS Trusts: Specialists in Pharmaceutical Public Health: SPGC: SGPC: RPSGB</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Irene Foster 0131 244 2528</p> <p>Email: irene.foster@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

2	19 Nov 02	<p>Dispensing Doctors - Dispensing Fees 2001/2002</p> <p>Paragraph 44/Schedule 2 of the Statement of Fees and Allowances has been amended to show the new dispensing fee scale for dispensing doctors. The new scale applies to prescriptions dispensed from 1 April 2001 to 31 March 2002 only.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2002)21</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Director of Practitioner Services: Common Services Agency: Chief Executives, NHS Boards, Primary Care Trusts, Pharmacy Practice Division: Practitioner Services Division, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen.</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Kay Robinson 0131 244 2350</p> <p>Email: kay.robinson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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3	22 Nov 02	<p>Carers Guidance Issued for Consultation</p> <p>Scottish Executive has issued draft guidance on implementation of the carer's provisions in the 2002 Act for Consultation.</p> <p>Comments to be submitted by 14 February 2003</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Consultation</p> <p>For Action: LA Chief Executives, Directors of Social Work, Directors of Finance, Directors of Housing, Directors of Children's Services: Chief Executives of NHS Boards and Trusts: Princess Royal Trust Carers Centres: Professional Bodies: Carers Organisations: Children's Organisations</p> <p>Responses Required? Yes Response Deadline: 14 February 2003</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Elaine McFadzean 0131 244 5437</p> <p>Email: elaine.mcfadzean@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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4	22 Nov 02	<p>Ministerial Action Plan on Healthcare Associated Infection, Watt Group Report on the Outbreak of Salmonella Infection at Victoria Infirmary and HAI & Patient Care Environment Questionnaire</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2002)82</p> <p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards & Trusts, NES, PEF, SCIEH, CSBS, State Hospital, SAS</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, CSA, HEBS: Executive Director, SCPMDE</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Craig Gilbert 0131 244 2083</p> <p>Email: Craig.gilbert@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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5	22 Nov 02	<p>Staff Governance - Self Assessment Audit Tool</p> <p>To ensure improved accountability for Staff Governance the completion of the Self Assessment Audit Tool is mandatory for all NHSScotland organisations as part of the Performance Assessment Framework.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: NHS HDL(2002)84</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chairs and Chief Executives of NHS Boards and Trusts: Common Services Agency: State Hospital: Health Education Board for Scotland: Clinical Standards Board for Scotland: Scottish Ambulance Service: Health Technology Board for Scotland: NHS Education for Scotland: NHS 24: National Waiting Times Centre Body.</p> <p>For Information: Scottish Partnership Forum</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Garrick Wagner 0131 244-2140</p> <p>Email: garrick.wagner@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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6	25 Nov 02	<p>Hospital Eye Service Prescribing of Voucher Letter Code "I"</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2002)83</p> <p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards & Trusts.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, CSA: State Hospital Board: HEBS: NHS Education for Scotland: Director of Practitioner Services.</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Lynne Morrison 0131 244 2466</p> <p>Email: Lynne.A.Morrison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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7	26 Nov 02	<p>Home Care Services, Scotland 2002</p> <p>The purpose of this Statistics Release is to present the latest national figures for home care services provided or purchased by local authorities in Scotland.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: LA Directors of Social Work and Social Work Statistics Liaison Group members</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Steven Gillespie 0131 244 3777</p> <p>Email: SWStat@scotland.gov.uk</p>
8	27 Nov 02	<p>Early Discharge Protocol for Patients in Secure Hospital Settings</p> <p>Mental Health</p> <p>The Protocol sets out the priorities and processes that should be used when discharging patients from secure conditions to meet their continuing support needs and to minimise risk.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2002)85</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Consultant Psychiatrists: Supervising Social Workers: Directors of Nursing and Social Work: State Hospitals Board for Scotland: Hospitals with Mental Health Facilities</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: John Storey 0131-244 3704</p> <p>Email: John.Storey@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

9	28 Nov 02	<p>Child Health Support Group</p> <p>This letter outlines the work of the Child Health Support Group (CHSG), including: its current membership, its remit, its forward workplan.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2002)86</p> <p>Category: Action/ Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives NHS Boards & Trusts: Directors of Social Work.</p> <p>For Information: Scottish Child Health Commissioners: Chief Executive, Health Education Board for Scotland, Clinical Standards Board of Scotland, Local Authorities, CoSLA: Directors of Education: Scottish Children's Reporter Administration: Appropriate Voluntary Organisations: Royal Colleges.</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Mary Sloan 0131 244 4089</p> <p>Email: Mary.Sloan@Scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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10	29 Nov 02	<p>"Learning From Experience How to Improve Safety for Patient in Scotland"</p> <p>Patient Safety is a key issue in providing the highest quality of clinical care. We have therefore developed this consultation paper which sets out how we propose to deal with these matters in Scotland.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: NHS Trust Medical Directors: Directors of Nursing: Chief Pharmacists: Risk Coordinators: Chairs of Clinical Governance Committees: Royal Colleges: Relevant Patient Groups: LHCCs: Recipients of HDLs.</p> <p>Responses Required? Yes Response Deadline: 28/02/2003</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Steven Fennoch 013 244 2110</p> <p>Email: steven.fennoch@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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11	29 Nov 02	<p>Public Private Partnership in Scotland Protocol and Guidance Concerning Employment Issues</p> <p>Protocol and guidance concerning employment issues.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives of NHSScotland Organisations and SPF Members</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Bill Welsh 01312442492</p> <p>Email: bill.welsh@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
12	29 Nov 02	<p>Consultation on the Introduction of Supplementary List Regulations for Non Principal General Practitioners</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives of Island NHS Boards, Primary Care Trusts: Other interested organisations.</p> <p>Response Required? Yes Response Deadline: 10 January 2003</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Jane Martin 0131 244 1805</p> <p>Email: Jane.Martin2@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

13	29 Nov 02	<p>Guidance: Self-Management of Warfarin Therapy</p> <p>This guidance is to support NHS prescribers and dispensers who prescribe and dispense testing strips for patents self testing.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO(2002)12</p> <p>Category: Information and Action</p> <p>For Action: All Hospital Doctors: All GPs: SSIPPH: Trust Chief Pharmacists: Community Pharmacists.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and PCTs: Medical Directors, NHS Trusts: Directors of Nursing.</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Ronnie Fraser 0131 244 2529</p> <p>Email: ronnie.fraser@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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