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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	29 Nov 02	<p>Remuneration Committee Self Assessment Pack</p> <p>This has been prepared jointly by Audit Scotland and NHSScotland, involving NHS Boards, Trusts and Scottish Executive Health Department representatives.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chairs and Chief Executives of NHS Boards, Special Health Boards and Trusts</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Bill Welsh 0131 244 2492</p> <p>Email: bill.welsh@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
2	10 Dec 02	<p>Cancer in Scotland Monitoring Report: 1 April to 30 September 2002</p> <p>This is the second monitoring report detailing the progress regional cancer networks have made in implementing the £60 million investment to support Cancer in Scotland: Action for Change. It covers the period from 1 April to 30 September 2002.</p> <p>click here to view web pages</p> <p>click here to view PDF version (250 KB)</p>	Cancer in Scotland: Action for Change	<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: NHS Scotland</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Elaine Wilson 0131 244 5180</p> <p>Email: e.wilson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

3	11 Dec 02	<p>Tackling National Health Service Fraud: Extension of Counter Fraud Role of the Fraud Investigation Unit of the Common Services Agency</p> <p>This letter announces an extension of the Fraud Investigation Unit's role, to the deterrence, detection and investigation of fraud, other irregularities and corruption within and against NHSScotland.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL (2002)88</p> <p>Category: Action, Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Trusts, NHS Boards, Common Services Agency, Special NHS Boards, State Hospitals Board for Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Directors of Finance NHS Trusts, NHS Boards, Special NHS Boards, Auditor General for Scotland</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Senga Robertson 0131 244 2470</p> <p>Email: Senga.Robertson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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4	11 Dec 02	<p>Decontamination: Sterile Services - Activity, Capacity and Quality Review</p> <p>In order to gain an accurate picture of the current position in terms of decontamination, we require to collect some additional management information. Please see attached letter and questionnaire.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Senior Managers responsible for HAI (Decontamination) - Acute Trusts and Island NHS Boards</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives , Acute NHS Trusts and Island NHS Boards</p> <p>Responses Required? Yes Date to be advised shortly by Sue Johnson, SCIEH</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Colette Templeton 0131 244 2271</p> <p>Email: colette.templeton@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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5	12 Dec 02	<p>Eprex® (Epoetin Alfa) and Pure Red Cell Aplasia - Contraindication of Subcutaneous Administration to Patients with Chronic Renal Disease</p> <p>Message from Professor Alasdair Breckenridge, Chairman of the Committee on Safety of Medicines.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Directors of Public Health, NHS Boards: Medical Directors of NHS Acute Trusts: Directors of Nursing of NHS Trusts</p> <p>For Information: Consultant Renal Physicians: Renal Surgeons: Haematologists: NHS Chief Pharmacists: Hospital Pharmacists: Renal/Dialysis Units: Haematology Nursing Staff</p> <p>Responses Required? No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Aileen keel (DCMO) 0131 244 2799</p> <p>Email: aileen.keel@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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6	16 Dec 02	<p>General Dental Services: Retirement Age for Principal Dentists</p> <p>This letter advises Primary Care Trusts and Island NHS Boards of an extension in the retirement age for principal dentists with effect from 1 April 2003.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(D)8</p> <p>Category: Action/Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, Primary Care NHS Trusts.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, Mainland NHS Boards, CSA: Director, 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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