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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	24 Feb 03	<p>General Ophthalmic Services - Frequency of NHS Sight Tests - Amendment to NHS: 2002 PCA(O)6.</p> <p>This letter advises Primary Care Trusts, Island NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding on Frequency of NHS Sight Tests, issued on 25 October 2002 General Ophthalmic Services - Frequency of NHS Sight Tests - Amendment to NHS: 2002 PCA(O)6.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> NHS: 2003 PCA(O)1</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action/ Information.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives, Primary Care NHS Trusts and Island NHS Boards: Director, Practitioner Services.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executives, NHS Boards, Common Services Agency.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Lynne Morrison 0131 244 2466</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Lynne.A.Morrison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Lynne.A.Morrison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>

2	28 Feb 03	<p>Joint Performance Information and Assessment Framework (JPIAF).</p> <p>Framework including performance indicators on joint working.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> CCD1/2003</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives of Local Authorities, NHS Boards and NHS Trusts.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Professional, Voluntary and Other Organisations.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Linda Watters 0131 244 2374</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Linda.watters@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Linda.watters@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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3	28 Feb 03	<p>Next Steps Letter.</p> <p>This letter issued by the Joint Future Implementation and Advisory Group maps out what progress has been made in implementing the Joint Future Agenda and sets out the work needed for full implementation across the whole of Community Care by April 2004.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>Category:</b> Information</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executives, Local Authorities, NHS Boards and Trusts: Communities Scotland: Directors, Social Work, Finance LA, NHS Boards and Trusts, Housing: Relevant Organisations.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Gillian Garvie 0131 244 5424</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:gillian.garvie@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">gillian.garvie@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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4	3 Mar 03	<p>A Scottish Framework for Nursing in Schools.</p> <p>Primary Care: Improving Public Health Services.</p> <p>The framework sets out the future direction for School Nursing in Scotland and delivers commitments in Nursing for Health and Our National Health. Nurses working in schools have a key role in delivering commitments to improving health of children and young people.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>	<p>"Nursing for Health" (2001) and Partnership for Care: Scotland's Health White Paper" (2003)</p>	<p><b>Category:</b> Action</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Trusts: Directors of Nursing.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Local Education Authorities: Local Authorities: LHCCs: HEBS: PHIS: QIS: NMPDU: Health Promoting Schools Unit: Learning and Teaching Scotland: COSLA: All State Schools: New Community School Integration Managers: Relevant Professional Organisations.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Michael Proctor 0131 244 3467</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Michael.Proctor@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Michael.Proctor@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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5	3 Mar 03	<p>Scottish Parliament Election 2003: Guidance for NHSScotland Organisations.</p> <p>NHS.</p> <p>Guidance for NHSScotland on the conduct of business during the Scottish Parliament election period.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)8</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action/Information.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives, NHS Boards ,Special Health Boards and NHS Trusts, Common Services Agency: Director, Mental Welfare Commission.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executive, Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Trevor Lodge 0131 244 1830</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Trevor.lodge@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Trevor.lodge@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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6	5 Mar 03	<p>Part Time Workers Regulations.</p> <p>Employers need to comply with Part-Time Workers (Prevention of Less Favourable Treatment) Regulations 2000.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)9</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives, NHS Trusts Boards and Special Health Boards, CSA, State Hospital.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executive, Health Education Board for Scotland: Members SPF and HR Forum.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Ms Judith Ballantine 0131-244 3778</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Judith.Ballantine@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Judith.Ballantine@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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7	5 Mar 03	<p>New Deal for Junior Doctors: Natural Breaks.</p> <p>Junior Doctors' Natural Breaks.</p> <p>Natural Breaks and Special Health Boards.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)10</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives of Trusts, Common Services, NHS Boards.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Junior Doctors.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Bill Ellis 0131 244 1846</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Bill.ellis@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">Bill.ellis@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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8	5 Mar 03	<p>Community Care and Health (Scotland) Act 2002 (Interest Rates on Deferred Payments) Directions 2003.</p> <p>Directions concerning the level at which local authorities should charge interest on outstanding amounts following deferred payment agreements for care home fees.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)6</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Directors of Social Work.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executives of Local Authorities: Directors of Finance, Local Authorities: Core List: Relevant Voluntary Organisations.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Agnes Rennick 0131 244 3782</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:agnes.rennick@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">agnes.rennick@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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9	5 Mar 03	<p>National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2003; National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2003; Community Care and Health (Scotland) Act 2002.</p> <p>New and revised guidance on the charging for residential care in care homes.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)7</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Directors of Social Work.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Chief Executives of Local Authorities: Directors of Finance of Local Authorities: Core List: Relevant Voluntary Organisations.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Agnes Rennick 0131 244 3782</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:agnes.rennick@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">agnes.rennick@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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10	6 Mar 03	<p>1. Pneumococcal Immunisation for those aged 65 and over.</p> <p>2. Influenza Immunisation Programme 2003-04.</p> <p>Information of updated SEHD policy on pneumococcal immunisation and the annual influenza programme.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> SEHD/CMO(2003)4</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action/Information.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b>  GPs: Practice Nurses: Health Visitors:  Community Pharmacists: Trust Chief  Pharmacists: Immunisation  Co-ordinators: CPHMs: Directors of  Public Health: Medical Directors of NHS  Trusts.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b>  Chief Executives, NHS Boards and  Trusts: Directors of Nursing of NHS  Boards and Trusts: Scottish Specialists in  Pharmaceutical Public Health: Infectious  Disease Consultants: Consultant  Physicians: Clinical Director, SCIEH:  Chief Executive, HEBS.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> No.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Norma Darroch  0131 244 2516  Dr Elizabeth Stewart  0131 244 2158</p> <p><b>Email:</b>  <a href="mailto:norma.darroch@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">norma.darroch@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:dr.elizabeth.Stewart@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">dr.elizabeth.Stewart@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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11	6 Mar 03	<p>A New Public Involvement Structure for NHSScotland: a draft for consultation.</p> <p>This paper presents the proposals for a new public involvement structure which will be led by a new Scottish Health Council with local offices.</p> <p><b>Response deadline...9 June 2003.</b></p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>		<p><b>Category:</b> Consultation Paper</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Health Councils.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> NHS Boards and Trusts.</p> <p><b>Responses Required?</b> Yes. <b>Response Deadline:</b> 09/06/2003.</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Laura Ross 0131 244 2378</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:laura.ross@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">laura.ross@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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12	7 Mar 2003	<p>A Framework for Reform: Devolved Decision-making.</p> <p>NHS Governance and Accountability</p> <p>Partnership for Care includes proposals for changes for governance arrangements for local NHS Systems which are intended to improve service organisation and delivery throughout NHSScotland.</p> <p><a href="#">click here</a> to view</p>	<p>Partnership for Care: Scotland's Health White Paper. SEHD Feb. 2003</p>	<p><b>HDL/Other Code:</b> HDL(2003)11</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Action/ Information.</p> <p><b>For Action:</b> Chief Executives and Chairmen of NHS Boards and Trusts.</p> <p><b>For Information:</b> Members of NHS Boards: Chairs and Trustees of NHS Trusts: NHS Board Nurse Directors: Directors of Public Health, Finance and Human Resources: NHS Trust Medical Directors, Directors of Nursing, Finance and Human Resources: Members of the Scottish Partnership Forum: Human Resources Forum: Chief Executives of Local Authorities: Chief Officers of Local Health Councils: SAHC</p> <p><b>Responses Required:</b> No</p> <p><b>SEHD Contact:</b> Dick Manson 0131 244 5035</p> <p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:dick.manson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk">dick.manson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</a></p>
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