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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	31July 03	<p>Pay and Conditions of Service for Dental Public Health, Community Dental Staff and Salaried General Dental Practitioners.</p> <p>Pay and conditions with effect from 1 April 2003.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCS(DD)2003/6</p> <p>Category: Action.</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Trusts, Boards, Special Health Boards, CSA, State Hospital Board Scotland; NHS Health Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Executive Director, NHS Education for Scotland; Members, SPF; Members, HR Forum.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Ms L. McWilliams 0131-244 2327</p> <p>Email: louise.mcwilliams@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

2	4 Aug 03	<p>The Use of Personal Information in NHSScotland to Support Patient Care.</p> <p>Confidentiality.</p> <p>Work programme to promote best practice and continued improvement in the use of personal health information as an integral part of patient care.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2003)37</p> <p>Category: Action/Information.</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards, Special Boards, Common Services Agency.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS Trusts; Caldicott Guardians.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Ann Bisset 0131 244 2363</p> <p>Email: ann.bisset@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
3	5 Aug 03	<p>National Cleaning Services Specification: Draft Consultation Document.</p> <p>Healthcare Associated Infection.</p> <p>One of the priorities for the HAI Task Force is the development of updated technical requirements for cleaning processes to be used in NHS in specifications for cleaning services.</p> <p>Response Deadline....5 September 2003</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action.</p> <p>For Action: See distribution attachment to letter.</p> <p>Response Required: Yes Response Deadline: 5 Sep 03</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Chris Bergin 0131 244 2627</p> <p>Email: christopher.bergin@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

4	5 Aug 03	<p>FORUM Newsletter Edition 31.</p> <p>Newsletter for exchange of news and views on health improvement issues.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: For information.</p> <p>For Information: Available to all on SHOW website.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: John Williamson 0131 244 2328</p> <p>Email: john.williamson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
5	7 Aug 03	<p>Chief Scientist Office Annual Report 2002- 2003.</p> <p>The 2002-2003 CSO Annual Report contains articles on CSO funded activity and other initiatives, a comprehensive summary of research funded by CSO in 2002-2003, studies completed in 2002-2003 and financial information relating to CSO's budget.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Information.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Elaine Moir 0131 244 2215</p> <p>Email: elaine.moir@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

6	8 Aug 03	<p>National Waiting Times Database Reminder.</p> <p>The new national waiting times database provides information for GPs and patients on waiting times for eight outpatient specialities. Information is required from all Trusts on a monthly basis, specifically by the 17th of each month, in order for the database to be updated for the start of each new month. Information should be submitted to ISD via SWIFT system. Queries can be submitted via email form on the website.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	Our National Health	<p>Category: Action.</p> <p>For Action: Trust staff who collect and provide this information to ISD.</p> <p>For Information: Trust staff who collect and provide this information to ISD.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Fiona MacKenzie 0131 551 8453</p> <p>Email: fiona.mackenzie@isd.csa.scot.nhs.uk</p>
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7	8 Aug 03	<p>Hormone Replacement Therapy and Breast Cancer - Results of the UK Million Women Study.</p> <p>Copy of message from CMO(England) and Professor Duff(Chairman, 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, NHS Trusts; Specialists in Pharmaceutical Public Health.</p> <p>For Information: GPs; Practice Nurses; Non-principals; NHS Trusts' Directors of Nursing, Chief Pharmacists, Consultants in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Consultant Physicians; NHS Boards' and Trusts' Chief Executives, Community Pharmacists.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Andrew Fraser (DCMO) 0131 244 2270</p> <p>Email: andrew.fraser@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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