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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	18 Mar 04	<p>Protecting the Blood Supply from Variant CJD: Deferral of Donors who have Received a Blood Transfusion</p> <p>Blood Supply</p> <p>To alert Public Health Specialists to additional donor selection criterion being implemented by all four UK Blood Services including SNBTS on 5 April 2004.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO(2004)5</p> <p>Category: Action, Information</p> <p>For Action: Directors of Public Health; Consultants in Public Health Medicine; Medical Directors (to cascade to Consultant Haematologists and General Practitioners)</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Aileen Keel 0131 244 2799</p> <p>Email: aileen.keel@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

2	15 Mar 04	<p>Guidance on <i>The same as you?</i> Partnership in Practice Agreements (PiPs) 2004-2007</p> <p>Learning Disabilities</p> <p>Guidance for those involved in producing <i>The same as you?</i> Partnership in Practice Agreements for 2004-2007.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	N/A	<p>HDL/Other Code: N/A</p> <p>Category: Action, Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executives, Local Authorities; Directors of Social Work; PiP Co-ordinators.</p> <p>For Information: Directors of Finance, Local Authorities; Directors of Housing; Directors of Education; Directors of Recreation and Leisure; relevant voluntary organisations.</p> <p>Response Required: Yes Response Deadline: 30 Sep 04</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Bette Francis 0131 244 3664</p> <p>Email: bette.francis@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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3	15 Mar 04	<p>Increase in Optical Voucher Values; Tax Credits (Change in Entitlement and Increase in the Annual Income Limit); Leaflets</p> <p>Primary Care</p> <p>This letter advises NHS Boards, Primary Care Trusts and Practitioner Services of increases in the NHS optical voucher values and allowances for repairs and replacements with effect from 1 April 2004. It also advises of changes in tax credits, which take effect from 6 April 2004.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: NHS: 2004 PCA (O)2</p> <p>Category: Action, Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Primary Care NHS Trusts; Director, Practitioner Services.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards: Chef Executive, Common Services Agency.</p> <p>Response 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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4	5 Mar 04	<p>Scottish Procurement Committee - Investigating the Experiences of UK Businesses in Competing for Public Sector Contracts in EU Countries - the Wood Review</p> <p>The Wood Review</p> <p>To inform you about the Wood Review, which is seeking the views of UK businesses who have experience of competing for public sector contracts in other EU countries. The Wood Review has been commissioned by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and is being led by Alan Wood, Chief Executive of Siemens UK and Chairman of the EEF Economic Policy Committee.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SPC(G)(04)03</p> <p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Health Department Procurement Officers.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Janice Malone 0141 242 5489</p> <p>Email: Janice.Malone@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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