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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	21 May 04	<p>Reducing the Risk of Exposure of Patients to the Agent of CJD Through Brain Biopsy Procedures</p> <p>Chief Medical Officer letter</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO/2004/11</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Medical Directors, NHS Board Operating Divisions; Medical Director, SCIEH.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Dr Peter Christie 0131 244 2806</p> <p>Email: Peter.christie@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
2	20 May 04	<p>Executive Managers Review Bulletin: Meeting 2</p> <p>Provides an update of progress on the review following meeting 2 of the working group.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Operational Divisions; Executive Directors; Senior Managers Group; Human Resource Forum.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Bill Welsh 0131 244 2492</p> <p>Email: bill.welsh@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

3	20 May 04	<p>Protecting the Breathing Circuit in Anaesthesia</p> <p>Chief Medical Officer letter on the Report of the Expert Group following Operation Orcadian in NHS England.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO/2004/10</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: NHS Board Chief Executives; NHS Board Medical Directors; Chief Executive, NHS Quality Improvement Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS Scotland.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Hector Mackenzie 0131 244 2468</p> <p>Email: Hector.mackenzie@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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4	19 May 04	General Professional Training Grade Salaries click here to view		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCS (DD)2004/6</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards; Directors of Human Resources, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS Education for Scotland; Members, Scottish Partnership Forum; Members, Human Resource Forum.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Miss B Burnett 0131-244 2473</p> <p>Email: Brenda.burnett@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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5	17 May 04	<p>Welfare Foods Scheme: Vitamins</p> <p>Further information regarding who is eligible to receive free vitamins under the Welfare Foods Scheme plus a warning notice on the use of Abidec Vitamin Drops.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2004)29</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives of NHS Boards.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, Common Services Agency; Scottish Partnership Forum Members.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: David Scott 0131 244 2540</p> <p>Email: david.scott2@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
6	14 May 04	<p>Appliance Contractors: Consultation Summary Report</p> <p>Summary report on the responses received to the consultation paper on the future contractual arrangements for appliance suppliers.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Pharmacists, NHS Boards</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: James H White 0131 244 3433</p> <p>Email: James.White@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

7	14 May 04	<p>Guidelines for Smallpox Response and Management in Scotland in the Post-Eradication Era</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: guidance</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives NHS Boards, Directors of Public Health, Medical Directors, Directors of Nursing, Consultants in Public Health Medicine, General Managers, Scottish Centre for Infection and Environmental Health, Chief Executive Scottish Ambulance Service</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Marianne Cook 0131 244 2614</p> <p>Email: marianne.cook@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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8	12 May 04	<p>The NHSScotland Code of Practice for the Local Management of Hygiene and Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI)</p> <p>The Code of Practice defines local management powers and responsibilities for delivering safe clinical care through ensuring high standards of hygiene and related measures to tackle HAI in the healthcare environment. It prescribes guidance on the management of hygiene and HAI in all clinical settings, and also for support services, within NHSScotland. In addition, the principles underpinning this Guidance can be applied across all healthcare settings, including beyond the NHS.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO(2004)9</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, The State Hospital; Chief Executive, Scottish Ambulance Service; Directors of Public Health; Consultants in Public Health Medicine (CD&EH); The Care Commission; The Health and Safety Executive; Hospices in Scotland registered with the Care Commission; Hospitals in Scotland registered with the Care Commission; Clinical Director, SCIEH.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Margaret Tannahill 0131 244 2490</p> <p>Email: margaret.tannahill@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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9	12 May 04	<p>The NHSScotland National Cleaning Services Specification</p> <p>This guidance details the technical requirements for rigorous and effective cleaning processes to be used in NHS specifications for cleaning services. The document covers a wide variety of premises, environments and items to be cleaned and the principles underpinning this guidance can be applied across all healthcare settings including beyond the NHS. This document is to be implemented with immediate effect by NHS Boards across all clinical areas.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: SEHD/CMO(2004)8</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, The State Hospital; Chief Executive, Scottish Ambulance Service; The Care Commission; The Health and Safety Executive; Hospices in Scotland registered with the Care Commission; Hospitals in Scotland registered with the Care Commission; Clinical Director, SCIEH.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Margaret Tannahill 0131 244 2490</p> <p>Email: margaret.tannahill@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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10	12 May 04	<p>General Medical Services Statement of Financial Entitlements for 2004/05</p> <p>This circular introduces the General Medical Services Statement of Financial Entitlements for 2004/05.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2004)13</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives of NHS Boards; General Medical Practitioners.</p> <p>For Information: Director of Practitioner Services Division; Common Services Agency.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: John Hannah 0131 244 2465</p> <p>Email: john.hannah@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
11	11 May 04	<p>Towards a Safer Healthier Workplace Conference Workshop Report</p> <p>Document outlining OHSSIG ventures and activities since it was first set up to meet the commitments of Towards a Safer Healthier Workplace, the occupational health and safety strategy for NHSScotland staff.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	Towards a Safer Healthier Workplace	<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: NHS Boards and Operational Divisions Chief Executives, HR Directors, OHS Directors and Nurse Managers, OHSSIG, PABS.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Claire Faichney 0131 244 3006</p> <p>Email: Claire.Faichney@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

12	11 May 04	<p>Primary Medical Services (Directed Enhanced Services) (Scotland) Directions 2004</p> <p>This circular introduces the Directions required to implement five primary care Directed Enhanced Services for 2004/05</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2004)15</p> <p>Category: Action & Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives of NHS Boards, General Medical Practitioners</p> <p>For Information: Director of Practitioner Services Division, Common Services Agency</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: John Hannah 0131 244 2465</p> <p>Email: john.hannah@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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13	11 May 04	New Consultant Contract: Increases to National Salary Scales and Fees and Allowances for 2004-05 click here to view		HDL/Other Code: PCS(DD)2004/4 Category: Action For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards. For Information: Members, Scottish Partnership Forum; Members, Human Resource Forum. Response Required: No SEHD Contact: Ms L McWilliams 0131-244 2327 Email: Louise.mcwilliams@scotland.gsi.gov.uk
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14	10 May 04	<p>Review of the early implementation of the Resource Use Measure (RUM)</p> <p>This report describes the findings of a review of how the RUM was implemented in 5 initial sites. It considers the national and local measures that were taken to support staff involved in implementation and in the context of local Joint Future initiatives, reports on the nature and extent of local arrangements for implementation.</p> <p>click to read full report</p> <p>click to read research findings</p>	<p>http://www.scotland.gov.uk/about/HD/CD2/00017673/ResourceUseMeasure.aspx (Joint Future weblink)</p>	<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Local Authority Directors of Social Work; Local Authority Chief Executives; Chief Executives, NHS Boards and NHS Operating Divisions.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Ruth Whatling 0131 244-3533</p> <p>Email: ruth.whatling@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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15	10 May 04	<p>Treatment of Teaching, Training and Research under the New Consultant Contract</p> <p>Memoranda of Understanding</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2004)25</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards;, Medical Directors, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards; Post Graduate Deans; Undergraduate Deans; Research and Development Directors, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards; Human Resource Directors, Universities.</p> <p>For Information: Members, Scottish Partnership Forum; Members, Human Resource Forum.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Chris Stirling 0131 244 04219</p> <p>Email: chris.stirling@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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16	10 May 04	<p>Proposals for Supplementary Prescribing by Chiropodists, Physiotherapists, Radiographers and Optometrists and Proposed Amendments to the Prescription Only Medicines (Human Use) Order 1997</p> <p>Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) consultation on proposals to amend the Prescription Only Medicines (Human Use) Order 1997 so as to extend the existing legislation in respect of supplementary prescribing to Chiropodists (Podiatrists), Physiotherapists, Radiographers and Optometrists. In addition to changes to UK medicines legislation, it is also proposed to amend the relevant NHS Regulations. The MHRA would welcome comments from NHSScotland. The consultation period runs from 10 May 2004 until 9 August 2004. Please respond direct to the MHRA.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: MLX 305</p> <p>Category: Consultation</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards.</p> <p>Response Required: Yes Response Deadline: 9 Aug 04</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Norma Darroch 0131 244 2516</p> <p>Email: norma.darroch@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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17	7 May 04	<p>Fees and Allowances Payable to Doctors for Sessional Work in Community Health Services</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCS(DD)2004/3</p> <p>Category: Action</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Special Health Boards.</p> <p>For Information: Members, Scottish Partnership Forum; Members, Human Resource 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>
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18	4 May 04	<p>Report of an Independent Review of Access to the Yellow Card Scheme: MHRA Response to Recommendations</p> <p>Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) consultation on recommendations of the Report of an Independent Review of Access to the Yellow Card Scheme. The MHRA would welcome comments and will take into account all views expressed in formulating its response. The consultation period runs until 28th July 2004. The consultation letter can be accessed here. Please respond direct to the MHRA</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: MLX 308</p> <p>Category: Consultation</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards</p> <p>Response Required: Yes Response Deadline: 28 Jul 04</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Norma Darroch 0131 244 2516</p> <p>Email: norma.darroch@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
19	20 Apr 04	<p>Occupational Health And Safety Strategy Implementation Group (OHSSIG): Interim Progress Report March 2004: Full Report and Executive Summary</p> <p>This Interim Report from OHSSIG sets out the achievements in meeting the aims of Towards a Safer Healthier Workplace up to March 2004. It also details the 2004/05 Programme of Work which has been agreed with the HRF. The document comes in Full and Executive Summary versions.</p> <p>click to view Full Report</p> <p>click to view Executive Summary</p>	Towards a Safer Healthier Workplace	<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives; Human Resource Directors; Occupational Health Directors; Occupational Nurse Managers; OHSSIG; PABS; Human Resource Forum.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Bill Welsh 0131 244 2492</p> <p>Email: bill.welsh@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>