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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	19 Aug 04	<p>Research Literature Review on Prescribing</p> <p>This literature review was commissioned by the Scottish Executive Health Department to examine the research evidence on how widening health professionals' prescribing roles affects the attainment of policy aims and priorities for improving patient care.</p> <p>click here to view report</p> <p>click here to view <i>Research Findings</i> summary</p>		<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards and Operating Divisions; Medical Directors, NHS Boards and Operating Divisions; Chairs, NHS Boards and 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>
2	16 Aug 04	<p>Chief Scientist Office Annual Report 2003-4</p> <p>The Report details some of CSO's work throughout 2003-4 and more general health and healthcare research issues. A financial summary is also included.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	Research Strategy for Health and Healthcare	<p>Category: Information</p> <p>For Information: All NHS/SEHD staff interested in research.</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>

3	9 Aug 04	<p>Introduction of NHS Carer Information Strategies: Draft Guidance</p> <p>To consult NHS Boards and key stake holders about implementation of NHS Carer Information Strategies. The draft guidance makes recommendations on the format and content of the Strategies.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Consultation</p> <p>For Action: NHS Boards; Local Authorities; relevant professional and voluntary organisations.</p> <p>Response Required: Yes Response Deadline: 29 Oct 04</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Elizabeth Mathison 0131 244 5488</p> <p>Email: elizabeth.mathison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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