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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	17 May 07	<p>Update on Seizures of Cannabis Contaminated with Glass Particles</p> <p>Update regarding potential health harms associated with the use of cannabis that had been contaminated with glass particles.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Specialists in Pharmaceutical Public Health.</p> <p>For Information: Directors of Nursing.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Irene Foster 0131 244 2528</p> <p>Email: irene.foster@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
2	16 May 07	<p>Health Board (Childhood Immunisation Programme) (Scotland) Directions 2006</p> <p>This Circular encloses the Directions required to implement the changes to the childhood immunisation programme announced in the CMO letter dated 12 July 2006.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2007)8</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, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: David Notman 0131 244 5080</p> <p>Email: david.notman@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

3	16 May 07	<p>Addendum to HDL (2007) 23: the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 2007</p> <p>This letter advises of a revision to the Memorandum and Annex attached to HDL(2007)23 dated 28 March 2007.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	HDL(2007)23 dated 28 March 2007	<p>HDL/Other Code: HDL(2007)28</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland; Chief Executive, State Hospital Board for Scotland; Counter Fraud Services.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Shelagh Scott 0131 244 2597</p> <p>Email: shelagh.scott@scotland.gsi.scot.gov.uk</p>
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4	16 May 07	<p>General Dental Services: 1. Amendment no 107 to the Statement of Dental Remuneration and the Scottish Ministers' Determination: Payments in Consequence of Suspension Under an Interim Suspension Order; 2. NHS Commitment; 3. Maximum Patient Charge; 4. Registration of Children into Capitation: Clarification</p> <p>This letter advises NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of the publication of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration (SDR), Amendment No 107, and Amendment No 18 to the Scottish Ministers' Determination: Payments in consequence of Suspension under an Interim Suspension Order of the NHS Tribunal. It also provides information on NHS commitment, including the additional method of measuring NHS commitment for part-time dentists, and clarifies information issued in NHS: 2007 PCA(D)2 regarding the registration of children into capitation.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: 2007 PCA(D)3</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, NHS Education for Scotland; Director, Practitioner Services.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland.</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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5	19 Apr 07	<p>Important Advice for Dentists on Re-use of Endodontic Instruments and Variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (vCJD)</p> <p>This letter clarifies the situation with regard to decontamination and re-use of instruments, especially those used in endodontic treatment, in the light of new research on risks of vCJD transmission via dental treatment.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>HDL/Other Code: CMO(2007)5</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards (for cascade to all dentists and Infection Control Managers); Chief Executives, Special Health Boards; Medical Director, Scottish Prison Service.</p> <p>For Information: Consultants in Dental Public Health; CPHMs (CD&EH); Care Commission (for cascade to private dentists); Deans of Dental Schools; Scottish Healthcare Supplies; Clinical Director, HPS; Directors, BDA, MDDUS ; General Managers, Independent Hospitals; Private Dentists; Dental Advice Centres; NHS 24.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>SEHD Contact: Kerry Chalmers 0131 244 2503</p> <p>Email: kerry.chalmers@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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