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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	4 Oct 07	<p>Family Health Services: Payment Verification Procedures</p> <p>There are four payment verification protocols attached covering primary medical services, general dental services, general ophthalmic services and pharmaceutical services. The major revisions on this occasion are to the protocol for general ophthalmic services in view of the introduction of the new NHS eye examination from 1 April 2006 which is available free of charge to all of those who are legally and ordinarily resident in the UK.</p> <p>click here to view</p>	<p>HDL(2005)5 and also this CEL supersedes the guidance contained in HDL(2005)49</p>	<p>CEL/Other Code: CEL(2007)12</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives and Directors of Finance, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executives and Directors of Finance, Special Health Boards; Auditor General; Chair, Scottish Dental Practice Board.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Lee Shedden (Finance Issues)/Senga Robertson (Probity Issues), Lee on 0131 244 2811 and Senga on 0131 244 2470</p> <p>Email: Lee.Shedden@scotland.gsi.gov.uk and Senga.Robertson@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

2	3 Oct 07	<p>The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) (No.2) Regulations 2007 (SSI 389);the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2007 (SSI 391)</p> <p>This letter advises NHS Boards of the coming into force of the NHS (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) (No2) Regulations 2007 and the revocation of the NHS (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 2007</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: CEL(2007)9</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, State Hospital Board for Scotland; Chief Executive, NHS Health Scotland; Chief Executive, NHS 24; Executive Director, NHS Education; Chief Executive, NHS Quality Improvement; Counter Fraud Services.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Shelagh Scott 0131 244 2597</p> <p>Email: shelagh.scott@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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3	3 Oct 07	<p>The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (no.2) Regulations 2007; the National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Scotland) Amendment (no.2) Regulations 2007; the National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Amendment (no.2) Regulations 2007; the National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements) (Scotland) Amendment (no.2) Regulations 2007</p> <p>This letter advises NHS Boards of consequential amendments to the above regulations to reflect amendments made in the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) (No.2) Regulations 2007.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: CEL(2007)10</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, State Hospital Board for Scotland; Chief Executive, NHS Health Scotland; Chief Executive, NHS 24; Executive Director, NHS Education; Chief Executive, NHS Quality Improvement; Counter Fraud Services.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Shelagh Scott 0131 244 2597</p> <p>Email: shelagh.scott@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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4	1 Oct 07	<p>Hib Vaccination Catch-Up Programme: New Directed Enhanced Service for GP Contractors</p> <p>This circular releases to the service a Hib Catch-Up Directed Enhanced Service (DES) for GP contractors. The DES will run for 2007/08 only.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2007)12</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; GMS Leads.</p> <p>For Information: Director of Practitioner Services, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: David Notman 0131 224 5080</p> <p>Email: david.notman@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
5	1 Oct 07	<p>Flu Immunisation: New Directed Enhanced Service for GP Contractors</p> <p>This circular releases to the service a new Flu and Pneumococcal Directed Enhanced Service (DES) from 2007/08.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: PCA(M)(2007)13</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; GMS Leads.</p> <p>For Information: Director of Practitioner Services, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: David Notman 0131 224 5080</p> <p>Email: david.notman@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

6	1 Oct 07	<p>General Ophthalmic Services: <i>Your Guide to Free NHS Eye Examinations in Scotland</i></p> <p>This letter advises of the publication of a leaflet to raise awareness of the NHS Eye Examination.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: PCA(O)(2007)5</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland; Director, Practitioner Services Division.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Lynne Morrison 0131 244 2466</p> <p>Email: Lynne.A.Morrison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
7	28 Sep 07	<p>General Dental Services: 1. Amendment no 109 to the Statement of Dental Remuneration: Reimbursement of Practice Rental Costs; 2. Updated Grants and Allowances Leaflet</p> <p>This letter advises NHS Boards and Practitioner Services of an amendment to the Statement of Dental Remuneration, Amendment No. 109, which takes effect from 1 January 2007. It also asks NHS Boards to provide a copy of the attached updated leaflets on grants and allowances to dentists who join their dental list.</p> <p>click here to view</p>		<p>CEL/Other Code: PCA(D)(2007)9</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For Action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Director, Practitioner Services Division.</p> <p>For Information: Chief Executive, NHS National Services Scotland.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Lynne Morrison 0131 244 2466</p> <p>Email: Lynne.A.Morrison@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>