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Item Number	Date of Issue	Subject	Policy	Detail/Action
1	16 Dec 2010	<p data-bbox="521 244 1025 464">Drug Alert no 30: Class 2</p> <p data-bbox="521 320 1025 464">Recall by Ranbaxy (UK) Ltd of Pravastatin 10 and 40mg tablets due to non inclusion of safety information in patient information.</p> <p data-bbox="521 544 768 571">full text of circular</p>		<p data-bbox="1272 244 1720 276">Category: Action and Information</p> <p data-bbox="1272 320 1731 352">For Action: Directors of Pharmacy</p> <p data-bbox="1272 397 1917 429">For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards</p> <p data-bbox="1272 474 1597 505">Response Required: No</p> <p data-bbox="1272 550 1615 611">Contact: Irene Fazakerley 0131 244 2528</p> <p data-bbox="1272 655 1861 687">Email: irene.fazakerley@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
2	16 Dec 2010	<p data-bbox="521 839 1025 871">Drug Alert no 29: Class 4</p> <p data-bbox="521 916 1025 1056">Recall by Ranbaxy (UK) Ltd of Simvastatin 20 and 40mg tablets due to non inclusion of safety warnings in the patient information</p> <p data-bbox="521 1136 768 1163">full text of circular</p>		<p data-bbox="1272 839 1720 871">Category: Action and Information</p> <p data-bbox="1272 916 1731 948">For Action: Directors of Pharmacy</p> <p data-bbox="1272 992 1917 1024">For Information: Chief Executives, NHS Boards</p> <p data-bbox="1272 1069 1597 1101">Response Required: No</p> <p data-bbox="1272 1145 1615 1206">Contact: Irene Fazakerley 0131 244 2528</p> <p data-bbox="1272 1251 1861 1283">Email: irene.fazakerley@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>

3	15 Dec 2010	<p>Seasonal Influenza: Maximising Vaccine Uptake and Recommendations on Antiviral Prescribing</p> <p>The purpose of this letter is to remind clinicians of the importance of maximising influenza vaccine uptake, and to advise that the use of antiviral drugs for the prevention or treatment of influenza is now recommended.</p> <p>full text of circular</p>	<p>CEL/Other Code: CMO(2010)29</p> <p>Category: Action and Information</p> <p>For action: Chief Executives, NHS Boards; Nurse Directors, NHS Boards; General Practitioners; Practice Nurses; Health Visitors; Directors of Pharmacy; Immunisation Co-ordinators; Practice Managers; CPHMs; Directors of Public Health; Medical Directors, NHS Boards; Scottish Prison Service; Scottish Ambulance Service; Maternity Services; Consultant Obstetricians.</p> <p>For information: Chairs, NHS Boards; Infectious Disease Consultants; Consultant Paediatricians; Consultant Physicians, Anaesthetists and ITU Physicians; Health Protection Scotland; Chief Executive, NHS Health Scotland; NHS 24; Chief Executive, QIS.</p> <p>Response Required: No</p> <p>Contact: Gareth Brown 0131-244 6910</p> <p>Email: gareth.brown@scotland.gsi.gov.uk</p>
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