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Alcohol misuse

[Findings from the Alcohol Health Alliance report on labelling are a cause for concern](#)

21 Sept 2018

Source: NHS Health Scotland <http://www.healthscotland.scot>

Commenting on the report that came out from the Alcohol Health Alliance, a spokesperson from NHS Health Scotland recently said: “The finding from the Alcohol Health Alliance that fewer than 10% of the alcohol products surveyed carry the weekly drinking guidelines is a cause for concern. As a leading cause of illness and early death, alcohol consumption and related harm remains a significant and preventable public health issue – and we know that people in poorer areas are hit the hardest.

Children and young people

[The toxic school run: UK children at daily risk from air pollution](#)

24 Sept 2018

Source: Kings Fund Health and Wellbeing Bulletin

This research briefing sets out new data from Queen Mary’s University London that looks at children’s exposure to air pollution across the school day. The data finds that children are disproportionately exposed to higher doses of pollution during the school run and while they are at school – particularly at break times when they’re in the school playground. The report suggests that major gains for children’s health could be made if funding, interventions and policies were targeted at pollution reduction around schools and nurseries, and on the school run itself.

[General hospital care for children with learning disabilities has scope for improvement](#)

18 Sept 2018

Source: National Institute for Health Research

<https://discover.dc.nihr.ac.uk/>

Less than half of NHS staff surveyed said they were routinely informed that a child has learning disabilities through a dedicated flagging system on admission. Many general hospital staff lack confidence and organisational support in providing care for children and young people with learning disabilities.

[Coverage declines in nine of the 12 routine child vaccinations and increases in one](#)

19 Sept 2018

Source:NHS Digital <https://digital.nhs.uk/>

Figures published yesterday show that coverage¹ declined for nine of the 12 routine vaccinations² measured at age 12 months, 24 months or five years in 2017-18 in England compared to the previous year. It increased in one vaccine and remained at the same level in two.

[Child mental health: Camhs 'not fit for purpose'](#)

24 Sept 2018

Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Children with mental health problems are not receiving treatment until they are in crisis and sometimes suicidal, doctors have told the BBC. A letter leaked to Panorama reveals

at least one area's child and adolescent mental health service (Camhs) to be rationing care. Leading psychiatrist Jon Goldin described the service as "not fit for purpose".

Social media, young people and mental health

24 Sept 2018 Source: Kings Fund Health and Wellbeing Bulletin

This briefing paper offers a brief scan of the latest evidence on the impact of social media on young people's wellbeing, both negative and positive. It seeks to understand what constitutes 'problematic' social media use, including addiction, jealousy and 'fear of missing out', as well as looking at how social media can positively impact on wellbeing.

Local authorities supported to innovate against childhood obesity

26 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

The government has announced a new programme to develop local solutions to childhood obesity that can be shared across the country. The government is asking local authorities to apply to its 'trailblazer' programme, in partnership with the Local Government Association (LGA).

Dentists call for pudding and sweet drinks ban in schools

24 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Puddings should be banned from school meals if the Scottish government wants children to be healthier, say dentists. The Faculty of Dental Surgery of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow wants excess sugar to be cut from school dinners.

Scottish Health Survey 2017

25 Sept 2018 Source: Scottish Government <http://www.gov.scot/>

Steady decline in the number of children at risk of obesity.

Fall in strength and fitness of 10-year-olds, study shows

26 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Children are weaker and less fit than they were 16 years ago, according to a British study. Researchers compared the strength and fitness of 10-year-olds from Essex between 1998 and 2014. They found children had become heavier and taller but scored worse in tests including sit-ups and grip strength - and the decline has been speeding up

Limiting children's screen time linked to better cognition

27 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Limiting children's recreational screen use has been linked with improved cognition. Children aged eight to 11 who used screens for fun for less than two hours a day performed better in tests of mental ability, a study found. Combining this with nine to 11 hours of sleep a night was found to be best for performance.

More sleep and limiting screen time may improve children's mental abilities

27 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"Limiting children's screen time linked to better cognition," reports BBC News. A study of 4,524 children in the US found those who used screens recreationally for less than 2 hours a day did better on tests of mental functioning.

See also **Safety** section

See also **Women's health** section

Chronic conditions

[Detect Cancer Early](#)

23 Sept 2018

Source: Scottish Government <http://www.gov.scot/>

A campaign is aiming to change the way cancer is viewed in Scotland, ensuring people act early to improve their chances of survival - for example by posting a completed bowel screening test, attending a mammogram or having a prostate examination.

[Patients with high-risk skin cancer have new treatment option](#)

17 Sept 2018

Source: NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

Hundreds of patients with a type of advanced skin cancer are set to benefit from a new treatment, dabrafenib plus trametinib. NICE's positive recommendation applies to adults who have stage III BRAF V600 mutation-positive melanoma that has spread to nearby lymph vessels or lymph glands, which make up an important part of our immune system.

[Nobel prize for medicine goes to cancer therapy](#)

01 Oct 2018

Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Two scientists who discovered how to fight cancer using the body's immune system have won the 2018 Nobel Prize for physiology or medicine. The work, by Professor James P Allison from the US and Professor Tasuku Honjo from Japan, has led to treatments for advanced, deadly skin cancer.

[Hernia mesh complications 'affect more than 100,000'](#)

26 Sept 2018

Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Up to 170,000 people who have had hernia mesh implants in England in the past six years could face complications, the BBC's Victoria Derbyshire programme has found. In that time, there have been about 570,000 such operations and the complication rate is said to be 12-30%.

[Chronic heart failure in adults: diagnosis and management.](#) NICE guideline [NG106]

Sept 2018

Source: NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

This guideline covers diagnosing and managing chronic heart failure in people aged 18 and over. It aims to improve diagnosis and treatment to increase the length and quality of life for people with heart failure.

Communicable diseases

[New university students urged to get meningitis vaccine](#)

15 Sept 2018 Source: Local Government Assoc. <http://www.local.gov.uk/>

First year university students should vaccinate themselves against meningitis, which could be mistaken for 'freshers' flu' or a hangover, and put their lives at risk, council leaders are urging. With students starting or returning to university this month, the Local Government Association (LGA), which represents 152 councils in England responsible for public health, is warning that they are at particular risk from the disease due to mixing closely and living with new people who may unknowingly carry the meningitis-causing bacteria.

[Tuberculosis rates in England hit lowest recorded levels](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

New data published by Public Health England (PHE) reveal that the number of people in England diagnosed with tuberculosis (TB) is at its lowest level since 1990, raising the hope that it will soon be consigned to the history books. Following action by PHE, the NHS and others, there was a 38% drop in new diagnoses from the peak in 2011 to 2017 (from 8,280 to 5,102), with a 9% fall in diagnoses between 2016 and 2017 alone.

[UK leads the fight against increasing drug resistant TB](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

The UK has committed to leading the fight against tuberculosis (TB), one of the world's deadliest diseases, through funding research into three new treatments.

[Monkeypox: Healthcare worker is third UK case of disease](#)

26 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

A healthcare worker has become the third person in England to be diagnosed with monkeypox. Public Health England (PHE) said the infected person was involved in the care of a patient at Blackpool Victoria Hospital who was treated there prior to their diagnosis.

See also **Prison health** section

Diet & nutrition

See also **Children and young people** section

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Disability

[EpiPen shortage 'worrying' for people with allergies](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

A shortage of EpiPens is causing worry for people with allergies in the UK. The makers of the adrenaline injection pen, which is used to treat severe and life threatening allergic reactions, say the supply problems are due to manufacturing issues.

[EpiPen users told they can use some devices past normal expiry date](#)

29 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

People with severe allergies have been told they can use their EpiPens past their normal expiry date, amid a continuing shortage of the devices. The medicines regulator said it had agreed to extend the use-by date of some 0.3mg EpiPens by four months.

Drug Misuse

[Drug use: Is Sheffield Students' Union right to offer advice?](#)

02 Oct 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Ray Lakeman is only too aware of the effect of illegal drugs. His two sons Jacques and Torin died after they took ecstasy together four years ago. Now, the dad is advocating a more open approach to tackle the issue of illegal drug use - an approach that has seen Sheffield Students' Union hit the headlines in recent days.

Environmental health

[Air pollution linked to dementia risk](#)

19 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"Air pollution could be responsible for 60,000 cases of dementia in the UK," reports the Mail Online, which goes on to say that "people exposed to dirty air are 40% more likely to get the disease".

[Mercury pollution remains a problem in Europe and globally](#)

19 Sept 2018 Source: European Environment Agency
<https://www.eea.europa.eu>

Historical and current emissions of mercury continue to present a significant risk to the environment and human health, according to a European Environment Agency (EEA) report, published yesterday. The main source of new mercury emissions in Europe is coal burning but about half of the mercury deposited in Europe's environment originates from outside Europe.

See also **Children and young people** section

Health promotion

[Life expectancy progress in UK 'stops for first time'](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Life expectancy in the UK has stopped improving for the first time since 1982, when figures began. Women's life expectancy from birth remains 82.9 years and for men it is 79.2, the figures from the Office for National Statistics, for 2015-17, show. In some parts of the UK, life expectancy has even decreased

Health protection

[NICE Bites: Lyme disease](#)

19 Sept 2018 Source: Specialist Pharmacy Service <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/>

This guideline covers the management of Lyme disease in children (<12 years), young people (≥12 years) and adults, including pregnant women.

Double check patients with 'penicillin allergy' to avoid increased MRSA risk

24 Sept 2018 Source: NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

People who incorrectly believe they are allergic to penicillin are unnecessarily put at an increased risk of developing MRSA or C difficile, NICE warns today. Healthcare staff should be aware of this and ensure that only people with a true allergy to penicillin are documented as such, NICE is urging.

Shift Work, Sleep and Health

19 Sept 2018 Source: Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology
<https://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/>

A POSTnote that describes how working outside of daytime hours – shift work – affects physical and mental health and performance through its impact on sleep and circadian timing. It highlights the latest research, explains the implications for policy and how research can inform the design of interventions to improve shift workers' sleep and overall health.

Sleep and Health

19 Sept 2018 Source: Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology
<https://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/>

A POST note that explains what is known about sleep and sleep disorders, the effects of poor sleep on performance, and on physical and mental health. It also describes the role of sleep in the context of public and occupational health, road safety, education and the consumer technology market.

Is austerity bad for health?

20 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Health Scotland <http://www.healthscotland.scot>

NHS Health Scotland has published the report, 'Working and hurting? Monitoring the health and health inequalities impacts of the economic downturn and changes to the social security system'. This is the third report from NHS Health Scotland looking at the impacts of the economic downturn and changes to the social security system on health and health inequalities in Scotland.

Health services administration

New NHS organisation delivers boost to learning for health staff across Wales

24 Sept 2018 Source: Welsh Government <https://gov.wales/>

To mark the official launch of a new body to deliver education and training for the NHS workforce in Wales, Health Secretary, Vaughan Gething, has announced an extra £10million funding boost for online training. Health Education Improvement Wales (HEIW) is officially launched today, and brings together the Wales Deanery, the Wales Centre for Pharmacy Professional Education and NHS Wales' Workforce, Education and

Development Services to provide a single approach to commissioning, planning and developing the education and training of the NHS workforce.

[NHS staff to benefit from new pay deal](#)

18 Sept 2018 Source: Welsh Government <https://gov.wales/>

Nurses and other NHS staff, on Agenda for Change terms and conditions, in Wales have agreed a new pay deal over three years. Trade unions have unanimously agreed to the deal, offered by the Welsh Government, which includes a range of pay and non-pay proposals that will benefit staff and patients. It matches, and in some areas goes beyond the pay deal for England.

[NHS to save 'hundreds of millions' in landmark drug ruling in England](#)

21 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

A landmark ruling against two leading drug companies could save the NHS in England "hundreds of millions" a year. Novartis and Bayer were trying to stop NHS doctors from prescribing a cheaper treatment for a serious eye condition.

[Extra support pledged for GPs this winter](#)

26 Sept 2018 Source: Public Health England <https://www.gov.uk/>

NHS England yesterday announced it will provide £10 million to GPs to support delivery of additional extended hours, out of hours and unscheduled care sessions over winter. The Winter Indemnity Scheme will be used to cover the costs of professional indemnity for the extra services provided by GPs, giving them the freedom to work extra sessions securely and without extra costs.

[Innovative healthcare projects deliver millions of savings to NHS](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

An independent review highlights how the NHS and other public sector organisations have saved £30 million and achieved wider economic and social benefits, through just 8 SBRI Healthcare projects.

[Leeds is the first city to go live with GP Connect](#)

28 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Digital <https://digital.nhs.uk/>

GP practices and clinical staff can share and view authorised information and data between IT systems, quickly and efficiently, using GP Connect. GP Connect is an NHS Digital led programme, connecting health and care data and supporting clinical staff by making medical information held within the patient's GP record available at the point of care. The information is available safely and securely across care settings including social care, general practice, community, mental health and hospitals

Mental health

[Preventing suicide in community and custodial settings](#) NICE guideline [NG105]

Sept 2018 Source: NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

This guideline covers ways to reduce suicide and help people bereaved or affected by suicides. It aims to; help local services work more effectively together to prevent suicide, identify and help people at risk and prevent suicide in places where it is currently more likely.

NICE responds to feedback on eating disorders quality initiatives

21 Sept 2018 Source: NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

A new NICE quality standard (QS) on eating disorders focuses on promoting early access and coordinating care between services. NICE has made several additions to the standard since a draft was published earlier in the year, in response to feedback from stakeholders, including a parliamentary report.

Mediterranean diet 'may help prevent depression'

25 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Eating a Mediterranean diet may help prevent depression, research suggests. But an expert in metabolic medicine says more rigorous, targeted trials are needed to confirm evidence of the potential link.

Eating a Mediterranean diet 'may lower your risk of depression'

26 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"Eating a Mediterranean diet may help prevent depression, research suggests," BBC News reports. The headline was prompted by a new review of previously conducted studies into the impact of diet on depression. A main finding of the review was that there seemed to be a strong association between eating a Mediterranean-style diet and a reduced risk of developing symptoms of depression or being diagnosed with clinical depression.

Mental health progress

25 Sept 2018 Source: Scottish Government <http://www.gov.scot/>

Quarter of Mental Health Strategy actions complete in first 18 months. More support for young people, a national programme for new mothers and next-day help for more than 1,000 people in distress demonstrate some of the progress that has been made under Scotland's national strategy for mental health.

No proof that 'daily bursts of exercise' can prevent dementia

01 Oct 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"Dementia can be beaten with 10-minute bursts of daily exercise," is the overly optimistic headline in the Daily Mirror. The claim is prompted by a small study from researchers in Japan who recruited 36 healthy young adults and asked them to do 10 minutes of gentle exercise on an exercise bike. They then gave the participants a memory test.

Sleepio Project

24 Sept 2018 Source: Oxford Academic Health Science Network
<https://www.oxfordahsn.org/>

Sleepio is a six-week self-help Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) programme for insomnia which affects one in ten adults. Through a fully automated, interactive web-based tool it aims to improve sleep without sleeping tablets.

[Antidepressant withdrawal 'hits millions'](#)

02 Oct 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Millions of people get bad side-effects trying to cut down on or come off antidepressants, a large review says. The All Party Parliamentary Group for Prescribed Drug Dependence review suggests half of patients have withdrawal symptoms and for half of these the symptoms will be severe.

['Shameful' use of restraints on disabled patients](#)

02 Oct 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

The use of restraints on adults with learning disabilities in hospital units in England rose by 50% between 2016 and 2017, figures show. In 2017, restraints were used more than 22,000 times - once every half an hour. This was up from 15,000 times in 2016.

[People with severe mental illness experience worse physical health](#)

28 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

A new Public Health England (PHE) report shows people with severe mental illness (SMI) suffer significantly worse physical health compared to the general population, with the greatest inequalities seen among younger people. The report looks at GP data for adults aged under 75. It was prompted by the inequalities that are known to exist in people with severe mental illness who die on average 15 to 20 years earlier than the general population

See also **Children and young people** section
See also **Environmental health** section

Obesity

[Low-calorie shakes and soup diets 'recommended for obese'](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Diet replacement programmes made up of low-calorie soups, shakes and regular counselling should be a recommended NHS treatment for obesity, a BMJ study says. People on the diets lost three times more weight than those given standard dietary advice by their GP, University of Oxford researchers found.

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See also **Women's health** section

Older people

[Concerns raised about older adults mixing prescription drugs and herbal remedies](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"One million over-65s could be suffering dangerous side effects from mixing 'hazardous' combinations of drugs and herbal remedies, study warns," reports the Mail Online.

Oral health

[NHS dental patients 'face 90-mile trip', union claims](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Some patients face a 90-mile round trip to see an NHS dentist, according to the British Dental Association (BDA) Wales. It said the number of people treated by NHS dentists was capped so people in places like Aberystwyth had to travel further to get appointments.

Prison health

[European evidence-based guidance on prevention & control of HCV in prison settings \(poster\)](#)

21 Sept 2018 Source: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction <http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/>

In the 31 EU/EEA countries, more than 590 000 persons are held in a custodial facility on any given day. According to recent reviews of prison studies from EU countries, prison prevalence estimates for HCV ranged from 4.3 % to 86.3 %.

[TB outbreak declared at Cardiff prison](#)

02 Oct 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

An outbreak of tuberculosis (TB) has been declared at Cardiff prison, Public Health Wales has said. The health body said it was screening staff who had been in contact with an original case in 2017 as part of ongoing work and there was no risk to public health.

Safety

[Shropshire baby deaths at Shropshire hospitals to be reviewed](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

An NHS trust at the centre of concerns over its maternity services has been asked to hand over hundreds of records to regulators, BBC News has learned. The Shrewsbury and Telford trust will have to provide details over almost two decades of all stillbirths, maternal and neonatal deaths and significant harm in maternity services.

[Contaminated blood scandal: We are sorry, says government](#)

26 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

The government has apologised for the infected blood scandal at the public inquiry into how thousands of people became infected with HIV and hepatitis. The government's legal team said it was clear "things happened that should not have happened". The inquiry, which started on Monday, is looking at how NHS patients were given infected blood products during the 1970s and 1980s.

Sexual health

[Information for parents: Sexual Health Week 2018](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: Family Planning Assoc. <http://www.fpa.org.uk/>

Open and honest discussion around consent can help your children to identify positive behaviours around sex.

Smoking

[One person quits smoking every 80 seconds in England](#)

20 Sept 2018 Source: HM Government <https://www.gov.uk/>

PHE encourages people to join in the mass quit attempt, Stoptober, and get the right stop smoking support for them. Last year, nearly 400,000 smokers in England quit successfully, which is the equivalent to 1,069 smokers each day. Despite new smokers starting and ex-smokers relapsing, there are now 1 million fewer smokers in England since 2014.

Social & economic issues

[Strain on unpaid carers putting adult social care at increased risk of collapse](#)

20 Sept 2018 Source: Local Government Assoc. <http://www.local.gov.uk/>

The strain on millions of unpaid carers is harming their health, jeopardizing the care of loved ones they care for, and putting the adult social care system at an increased risk of collapse, council and care leaders are warning.

[CQC successfully prosecutes unregistered care provider](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: Care Quality Commission <http://www.cqc.org.uk>

A company director that illegally provided domiciliary care services from three north London addresses has been fined more than £3,500 at Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court.

[New care and support guide released on the NHS website](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source:NHS Digital <https://digital.nhs.uk/>

A new guide to social care and support has been released on the NHS website, to provide guidance to people who may need social care, their families and carers. The guide has been written by experts and extensively tested with users, including members of the public, local authorities, care providers and the third sector. It provides clear information about social care to help people understand their options and where to go if they need help.

[Conservative conference: Emergency £240m to free up hospital beds](#)

02 Oct 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

An emergency £240m will be pumped into social care in England to ease pressure on the NHS this winter by enabling more elderly people to be cared for at home. The cash

will help councils pay for measures like housing adaptations and care packages, Health Secretary Matt Hancock will tell the Tory conference.

Statistics

[Sexual and Reproductive Health Services, England - 2017/18](#)

27 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Digital <https://digital.nhs.uk/>

NHS Digital has today published national statistics about activity at sexual and reproductive health services in 2017-18

Women's health

[Excess weight gain in pregnancy could pave the way to diabetes in children](#)

18 Sept 2018 Source: NHS Website <http://www.nhs.uk/news/>

"Eating for two is a myth, say researchers," reports The Guardian, saying that excessive weight gain in pregnancy is linked to the risk of diabetes in children.

[Obesity 'to be linked to more female cancers' than smoking](#)

24 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Obesity is set to overtake smoking as the biggest preventable cause of cancer in UK women by 2043, a Cancer Research UK report predicts. Currently, 12% of cancers in women are linked to smoking, and 7% to being overweight and obese. But with the number of smokers falling and obesity rates projected to rise, the charity estimates that gap will disappear in 25 years time.

[Women want a personalised birth experience, but safety is paramount](#)

25 Sept 2018 Source: National Institute for Health Research <https://discover.dc.nihr.ac.uk/>

Most healthy women would like a natural birth if possible, but acknowledge the unpredictability and risks of childbirth. Women mainly want a supportive care environment where healthcare providers are competent, kind and respectful.

[Placenta complications: 'Women must know the risks'](#)

28 Sept 2018 Source: BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

Expectant mothers should be told that the risk of placenta complications rises after a caesarean or fertility treatment, according to top doctors. Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) guidelines said early diagnosis of conditions placenta praevia and placenta accreta was vital.

Local news: []

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