“Snappy Search on Patient Choice”

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Indian patients suffer in silence
20 December 2007
The generic model helps commissioners understand the process and range of services needed to be commissioned, to improve and personalise services and support people with long term conditions. The model, developed in conjunction with a number of patient organisations, provides good practice examples, and aims to reduce inequalities.

Generic choice model for long term conditions

Published: 16 November 2007
‘Choosing your hospital’ booklets are available from every PCT and at www.nhs.uk. Following the recent publication of the Healthcare Commission ratings most of these booklets are now out of date. Letters have been sent to PCT Directors of Commissioning advising them of options for updating and printing of their booklets. PCT chief executives have overall responsibility for their organisations ensuring that information is provided to patients when choosing their hospital.

Updating of Choosing Your Hospital Booklets on NHS Choices (Gateway reference number: 9033)

Published: 26 June 2007
An update on the implementation of patient choice in the NHS since it was introduced at the start of 2006, focusing on the experiences of patients and NHS staff.

Choice matters: 2007-08 - Putting patients in control (Gateway ref: 8341)

Published: 23 July 2007
Medical ethicist Daniel Sokol finds the doctor-patient relationship in India is profoundly different to in the West.

Walk-in centre ‘improves choice’
Derby's new NHS walk-in centre opens its doors to offer people treatment without appointments.

‘Easier’ health complaints system
Plans to streamline the NHS complaints process are to be unveiled, making it easier to settle negligence claims.

IVF clinic raids ruled ‘unlawful’
Raids carried out on two IVF clinics run by fertility doctor Mohamed Taranissi have been ruled unlawful.

Useful Websites:

Choose & Book
Department of Health: Patient choice : Department of Health - Policy and guidance
Dr Foster - the guides
Healthcare Commission - healthcare providers
HMSL - Choice of hospital/setting for treatment
NELM

News:
NHS Choices, Map of Medicine and NICE announce plans for future co-operation
Product News & Updates
Source Personal Communication Date Published 14/12/2007

SPINNING AROUND THE WEB
Report of the National Patient Choice Survey, England - July 2007 ...
News: Patient choice 'online reading room'
King's Fund - Patient choice
Dissect Medicine - patient choice
BBC - Radio 4 Woman's Hour -Breast Cancer: Patient Choice
Patient Choice

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London Patient Choice Project
NHS Choices
Patient choice
Picker Institute

National Library for Health:
Choice of Scan
Choice: choice of hospital/setting for treatment

Recent Articles:
TI: One chance to get it right
AU: Pearce,-Lynne
PD: p 20-21
IP: DH
Record 2 of 45 in HMIC: DH-Data & King's Fund Database 2007/11
TI: Does advanced access improve access to primary health care?: Questionnaire survey of patients
Patient and public involvement The NHS needs to become more responsive to the patients who use it, and more accountable to the citizens who fund it[1]. Section 11 of...

Kings Fund

Reading List:

Patient decision making - including Patient Choice & PALS *(205kb)*

Publications:

Choice and Equity: PCT survey

News:

The question is not about the government’s aims for the NHS but about its methods for achieving them, says King’s Fund
25.09.07

King’s Fund comments on the Department of Health’s Our NHS, Our Future
18.09.07

Lib Dems right to seek more responsive NHS but suggested measures may not be effective, say King’s Fund
14.09.07

Patient choice survey shows progress in quality of care but some patients still getting raw deal, says King’s Fund
BBC – Health

Health - Talking to your doctor - Patient choice
What increased patient choice could mean for you. This is because some places have been chosen to test new patient choice projects.

Radio 4 Woman's Hour -Breast Cancer: Patient Choice
What options are open to us and how does patient choice really work when it comes to access to treatment and drugs?

London - Features - Patients' Choice
Patients can choose where and when they are treated. Once a patient signs the consent form they are accepting that they understand the possible (rare) complications.

News:

In full: Brown speech on the NHS
Here is the full text of Prime Minister Gordon Brown’s speech on the NHS and health screening plans.
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Brown ‘must back independent NHS’
The Conservatives urge Gordon Brown to back their proposals to make the NHS in England independent.
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Nurses to decide on resuscitation
New medical guidelines allow experienced nurses as well as doctors to decide whether to resuscitate patients.
86% relevance | 27 Oct 2007

Khan,-Yahya; Sismeiro,-Catarina
SO: Informatics in Primary Care, vol 15, no 2, 2007
PD: p 111-119
IP: DH

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TI: A fair range of choice: justifying maximum patient choice in the British National Health Service
AU: Wilmot,-Stephen
SO: Health Care Analysis, vol 15, no 2, Jun 2007
PD: p 59-72
IP: DH

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TI: The Primary Medical Services (Directed Enhanced Services) (England) Directions 2007
CA: Department-of-Health
PB: [London: Department of Health, 2007]
PD: 10p
NT: Header: Directions.
Header: The National Health Service Act 2006.
[Gateway ref: 8490].
The Primary Medical Services (Directed Enhanced Services) (England) Directions 2006 and the Primary Medical Services (Directed Enhanced Services) (England) (Amendment) Directions 2007 are hereby revoked, save to the extent necessary to assess any entitlement to payment in respect of services provided under arrangements made in accordance with those Directions.
IP: DH

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TI: The Statement of Financial Entitlements (Amendment) (No 2) Directions 2007
Watchdog told to target superbugs
A new health watchdog is to be set up by the government with wide-ranging powers to tackle hospital bugs.
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Bone drug rationing 'must end'
Campaigners appeal against a decision they say is restricting doctors from prescribing osteoporosis drugs on the NHS.
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Chinese divided on health reforms
A new national healthcare system is getting mixed reviews from China's poor, writes the BBC's Jill McGivering.
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Assisted suicide fear 'unfounded'
Concerns that legalised assisted death would be used to kill vulnerable people have not played out, a study says.
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Demo over hospital unit closure
People protesting against the closure of a minor injuries unit in Marlborough begin a series of vigils.
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NHS 'must engage patients more'
The NHS must do more to put patients at the heart of the health service and give them a say, experts say.
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Tories call for more NHS 'choice'
Welsh Tories are set to use their first assembly opposition debate to claim local NHS needs are being ignored.
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Brown pledges to expand GP access
The Prime Minister has stressed that extending access to GP care is a top priority for the government.
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'Citizen juries' to discuss NHS
Members of the public will discuss the future of the NHS in England when "citizens' juries" meet for the first time.
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Terminal patients as drug testers
Experts debate whether people at the end of life should be able to take experimental drug treatments that have not been fully tested for safety.
85% relevance | 10 Sep 2007

Cancer patient 'may sell house'
A kidney cancer patient fears he may be forced to sell his home to pay for a new drug.
84% relevance | 24 Aug 2007

AU: Decker,-Sandra-L; Higginson,-Irene-J
PD: p 285-290
IP: DH

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TI: Is choice the answer?
AU: Ratnaike,-Danny
SO: RCM Midwives, vol 10, no 6, Jun 2007
PD: p 264
IP: DH

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TI: Talking therapies and the NHS
AU: Bolsover,-Nick
SO: Mental Health Review, vol 12, no 1, Mar 2007
PD: p 3-5
IP: DH

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TI: Fresh row erupts over plans for private GP practices
AU: Gainsbury,-Sally
SO: Public Finance, Apr 13 2007
PD: p 6-7
IP: DH

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TI: Critics claim money is the force behind demand management
AU: Carlisle,-Daloni
SO: Health Service Journal, vol 117, no 6044, Feb 22 2007
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**TI:** Let's choose not to Choose and Book  
**AU:** Sharma, Anita  
**SO:** Doctor, Feb 20 2007  
**PD:** p 20, 22-23  
**IP:** DH

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**TI:** Eroding doctors' influence  
**AU:** Smy, Janis  
**SO:** Hospital Doctor, Feb 15 2007  
**PD:** p 32-33  
**IP:** DH

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**TI:** More options for mothers  
**AU:** Snow, Tamsin  
**SO:** Nursing Standard, vol 21, no 23, Feb 14 2007  
**PD:** p 14  
**IP:** DH

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**TI:** Choose and book  
**AU:** Walford, Simon  
**SO:** Clinical Medicine, vol 6, no 5, Sep/Oct 2006  
**PD:** p 473-476  
**IP:** DH
TI: Choice and decision-making
AU: Warner,-Lesley; Mariathasan,-Jeevi; Lawton-Smith,-Simon; Samele,-Chiara
SO: Mental Health Today, Jul/Aug 2006
PD: p 27-30
IP: DH

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TI: Preferences for self-care or professional advice for minor illness: a discrete choice experiement
AU: Porteous,-Terry; Ryan,-Mandy; Bond,-Christine-M; Hannaford,-Phil
PD: p 911-917
IP: DH

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TI: What is consumer-directed health care?
AU: Goodman,-John-C
SO: Health Affairs, Web Exclusives Supp, Jul-Nov 2006
PD: p w540-w543
IP: DH

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TI: Treating the vulnerable in England and Wales: the impact of law reform and changing policy
AU: Glover-Thomas,-N
PD: p 22-35
IP: DH
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TI: Protective steering: a grounded theory study of the processes by which midwives facilitate informed choices during pregnancy
AU: Levy,-Valerie
SO: Journal of Advanced Nursing, vol 53, no 1, Jan 2006
PD: p 104-110
IP: DH

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TI: Access, choice and travel: implications for health policy
AU: Exworthy,-Mark; Peckham,-Stephen
PD: p 267-287
IP: DH

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TI: Crossing the 'bright line' - difficult decisions at the end of life
AU: Finlay,-Ilora
SO: Clinical Medicine, vol 6, no 4, Jul/Aug 2006
PD: p 398-402
IP: DH

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TI: Can we turn this vision into reality?
AU: Towell,-David
SO: Community Living, vol 19, no 3, 2006
PD: p 6-8
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TI: Purchasers as the public's agents  
AU: de-Exter, Andre-P  
PD: p 122-139  
IP: DH

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TI: Role of markets and competition  
AU: Smith, Peter-C; Preker, Alexander-S; Light, Donald-W; Richard, Sabine  
PD: p 102-121  
IP: DH

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TI: The hospital guide: your hospital your choice  
AU: Dobson, Lesley; Rowntree, Helen  
CA: Dr-Foster---Firm  
PB: [London]: DrFoster, 2005  
PD: 130p  
NT: References: p.126-127  
IP: DH

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TI: A healthy option: direct payments and the implications for health
Study Tips for finding articles:

For Birmingham University Members
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