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Daily health news from across the national and trade press, gathered by the All-Party Parliamentary Health Group

Top Health Stories

Leading surgeon says women surgeons face 'hostile environment' at work
BBC, Guardian, Telegraph

WHO says everyone with HIV should be offered antiretroviral drugs as soon as possible after diagnosis
BBC, BMJ, Guardian

Doctors have been granted approval to carry out the UK's first 10 womb transplants, following the success of the procedure in Sweden
BBC, Guardian, Independent, Telegraph

Charity says people with the most common form of multiple sclerosis should be offered drug treatment earlier
BBC, Guardian

Government says smoking will be banned in all prisons in Wales and four in England from next year
BBC, Telegraph

Car smoking ban comes into force in England and Wales
BBC, Telegraph

Review says older people unlikely to reduce risk of breaking bones by increasing calcium intake
Independent, Telegraph

Other Health News

Being exposed to "good bacteria" early in life could prevent asthma developing, say Canadian scientists
BBC

Whistleblower says NHS 111 helpline 'dangerously understaffed'
BBC

Researchers say thousands of critical medical systems, such as MRI machines, are available for hackers to access online
BBC

Rising numbers of students are seeking help for stress
BBC

Charity warns women about their weight after concern about gestational diabetes
BBC

UK e-cigarette firm fights EU vaping laws in European court
Guardian

Royal College of GPs predicts 'explosion' of long-term health problems in next decade
Guardian

NHS clinical commissioning group in North Staffordshire ceases to provide free hearing aids to people with mild hearing loss
Guardian

Health Secretary urged to ‘tear up’ patent on dropped breast cancer drug and allow manufacturing of cheaper alternative
Guardian

No progress in talks between Jeremy Hunt and junior doctors' leader by Wednesday night
Guardian
Flu vaccination pilot programme in primary schools put on hold
Guardian

Lord Drayson launches pollution sensor powered by radio waves in an effort to drive air quality improvement
Guardian

Jaywick in Essex tops list of most deprived English neighbourhoods again
Guardian

Researchers call for WHO review after only one-seventh of men participating in study meet 'normal' sperm count
Guardian

Charity warns that almost half of cancer patients struggle to pay their bills
Independent

New research shows that one can of fizzy drink a day increases the risk of a heart attack by a third, and the chance of diabetes by a quarter
Independent

Systematic reviews find that current evidence is mostly in favour of drinking coffee, showing decreased chance of cancer and type 2 diabetes
Independent

Sugar in popular fizzy drinks varies significantly across the world
Telegraph

NHS England is seeking a freeze in the sum the NHS is required to pool with local government in the better care fund
HSJ

Variations in elective surgery rates among the most affluent and deprived areas in England raise questions about use of NHS resources
HSJ

Oxfordshire leaders have agreed the terms of a £175m outcomes based contract encompassing most adult mental health services in the county
HSJ

External review finds that mental health procurement contract could cause additional costs to CCGs
HSJ
Major transfer of mental health services between two providers could be delayed after the sudden closure of a psychiatric hospital in York

East Sussex Trust Chair resigns following critical CQC report

King’s College Hospital Foundation Trust is rated ‘requires improvement’ after CQC found overcrowding in emergency departments and patients waiting too long

A High Court judge rules that a mentally ill man with diabetes should not be forced to undergo a life-saving amputation by an NHS trust

Review shows that behavioural interventions for diabetes yield modest benefits

Figures show emergency readmissions are highest in patients discharged at weekends

Heidi Alexander says the junior doctor dispute is result of financial mismanagement

GP is struck off for dishonestly providing sick notes for two children

Junior doctors pledge to continue action unless Hunt improves offer

Cutting science budget in the November spending review would be “Neanderthal” behaviour, expert says

Investigation finds GP practices are offered 'ethically questionable' incentives to cut urgent cancer referrals

Inquest finds GP's report on suicidal man was ignored during work capability assessment

**International Health News**
US anti-abortion activist Troy Newman allowed to stay in Australia one extra day
Guardian

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