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# **Press Cuttings Summary**

# Saturday 17 October 2009

# **Direct Mentions**

## **Print & Online Mentions**

The *Belfast Telegraph* and *Impartial Reporter* both report that Dr Charles Boyle was not granted restoration to the medical register after he was struck off five years ago.

## **Broadcast Mentions**

ITV Meridian and BBC Radio Solent report on the currently adjourned fitness to practise case of Dr Jane Barton.

#### Times Letters page and GMC published responses

There are no letters to note.

#### Other News

The Daily Telegraph speaks to the cancer "tsar" Professor Mike Richards who was involved in the introduction of the controversial Liverpool Care Pathway scheme. He speaks about how it is 'essential that medical staff were skilled in deciding which patients should, near the end of their lives, be put on the scheme'.

The Guardian reports on a ruling by the information tribunal that the government must publish data on late terminations. There are fears that this could lead to pressure from campaigners to identify and put pressure on women and doctors alike.

The Daily Telegraph, Times and Daily Express all report on the mother who claimed £130,000 in benefits by fooling doctors that her child was the "sickest child in Britain". An investigation began when a doctor went to the police expressing concerns that the boy was being unnecessarily treated.

In The Sun, Lorraine Kelly writes about the catalogue of NHS mistakes that led to the death of a baby boy after doctors refused to believe she was in labour. The couple have received £160,000 compensation and an apology from the University Hospital of Wales in Cardiff.

The South Wales Echo and Western Mail report how the jury are still deliberating on the verdict in the case of the doctor who is accused of spiking his mistresses' tea to induce abortion.

The Press and Journal reports how GP Dr Ewen Pearson is defying his local health authority by refusing to prescribe a cheaper type of drug to combat heart attack and strokes, maintaining that it is in the best interests of his patients.

http://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/Article.aspx/1441381

## Headlines:

## Adhoc report Extracted from MorethanNews.com

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Delivery date : 17/10/2009 to : 17/10/2009 Sector : All

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NHS issues

The Sun Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 485 Shameful errors.. a tragic outcome

Lorraine Kelly writes about the catalogue of NHS blunders that led to the tragic death of a baby boy. Johanne and Krishna Govekar battled for more than three years with University Hospital of Wales in Cardiff and this week were given an unreserved apology. Johanne now fears she will never become pregnant again and the childless couple mourn their little boy every single day.

Miscellaneous

# Daily Express

Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 518

Mum made son sick to get £130k benefits

A mother was facing jail last night for forcing her son to undergo unnecessary medical treatment in order to claim £130,000 in benefits. The 35-year-old woman, who cannot be named for legal reasons, pretended her boy was sick, putting him in a wheelchair, giving him unnecessary medication and even allowing him to undergo surgery. From shortly after the boy's birth in 2001 until he was six-and-a-half, the woman claimed her son - now aged eight - had cerebral palsy, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, the throat disorder dysphagia and was allergic to many foods. Yesterday, she admitted one count of cruelty to a person under 16 and Judge Stephen Wildblood QC ordered psychiatric reports to be carried out. A date for sentencing has yet to be fixed.

Doctors

South Wales Echo Delivery date : 16/10/2009 Number of words : 166 <u>Jurors told: This is not a morality trial</u> THE jury trying the case of a doctor accused of spiking his lover's tea to make her have an abortion retired to consider its verdicts yesterday.

Doctors

Daily Telegraph Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 566 'Death pathway doctors need more training'

Doctors and nurses need more training in how to care for people who are dying, the Government's "cancer tsar" has said, following concerns over the controversial "death pathway" scheme. Prof Mike Richards, who was involved in the introduction of the Liverpool Care Pathway, said it was "essential" that medical staff were skilled in deciding which patients should, near the end of their lives, be put on the scheme.

NHS issues

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The Herald Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 745 Warning by nurses over swine flu jab plan

SCOTLAND'S mass swine flu vaccination programme and preparations to tackle the outbreak are at risk amid serious concerns that red tape is stopping retired nurses coming forward to help out. Doctors

The Guardian Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 517 <u>Confidentiality fear over late abortion data</u> Britain could move a step closer to the US-s

Britain could move a step closer to the US-style targeting of doctors who carry out abortions after a ruling by the information tribunal that the government must publish data on late terminations, family planning groups warned yesterday.

Doctors

Western Mail Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 99 <u>'Tea poisoning' jury still undecided</u> THE jury trying the case of a doctor accused of spiking his lover's tea to make her have an abortion did not return with a verdict for a second day yesterday. Miscellaneous

Daily Telegraph Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 458 <u>Mother kept her son in wheelchair to claim £130,000</u> A mother claimed £130,000 in benefits for her son by pretending he was disabled in a six-and-a-half year deceit during which she kept him wheelchair-bound. Miscellaneous

The Times Delivery date : 17/10/2009 Number of words : 953 <u>Cruel mother fooled doctors as her 'sickest boy in Britain' brought a fortune in benefits</u> A mother who convinced doctors that her son was the "sickest child in Britain" is facing jail for falsely claiming £130,000 in disability benefits.

## Web links:

National Newspapers: Other Regular Newspapers: **Medical Press:** The Times The Scotsman Pulse The Independent The Herald BMJ The Guardian The Press & Journal HSJ The Daily Telegraph The Manchester Evening News **The Lancet** The Daily Mail Irish News The Daily Mirror **Belfast Telegraph** The Daily Express **News Letter** The Sun South Wales Echo The Financial Times South Wales Evening Post

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