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Subject: News Round Up - August 18, 2010

Categories: Urgent

Dear Colleagues,

Please find below today's news round up grid that contains coverage from regional print and broadcast websites and the BBC Health website.

This news round up is also available on the [Intranet](#).

August 18, 2010		
Media	Headline (click to view story)	Story
The Portsmouth News	No charges will be brought against Dr Jane Barton	No criminal charges will be brought against the GP at the centre of a probe into patients' deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital.
	Pensioners ask for rethink on Queen Alexandra Hospital ward closure	Pensioners have joined the fight to make hospital bosses to reverse their decision to close an end-of-life care ward.
	Appeal for blood donors by NHS	The National Blood Service will be holding sessions across the area throughout the month
The Southern Daily Echo	Janet Coxen's potentially fatal adder bite not spotted twice by doctors	A Hampshire mum is recovering after she claims doctors twice failed to spot that she had been bitten by a poisonous adder.
	No criminal charges for doctor	Prosecutors will not be bringing criminal charges against the GP at the centre of patients' deaths at the Gosport War Memorial Hospital.
Media enquiries handled by the Communications Team		
Media	Issue	Response

The Breeze	Comment on figures included in Hampshire Chronicle piece on homeless	The Breeze/Coast were informed that the reason figures were higher in Winchester was probably because this is the location of the primary homeless centre in Hampshire. Overall the piece in the Chronicle was positive and talked about the services we provide and that we are committed to improving services for the homeless.
Southern Daily Echo	Snake Bite	Director of Public Health, Dr. Ruth Milton provided reassurance in the form of snake bite figures in the UK and advice to head directly to A&E in the event of an individual suffering a snake bite.
Basingstoke Gazette	Do we know what the take-up rate is for MMR?	Ongoing.
Alton Herald	Request for refurbishment cost figures and comment regarding the NHS Hampshire funded refurbishment of	Alton Health Centre
Top national health stories from BBC Online		
No manslaughter charges for misconduct GP Jane Barton	A doctor found guilty of misconduct will not be prosecuted for gross negligence manslaughter, the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) has ruled.	
GPs 'could spot patients at risk of benefit dependency'	GPs could spot patients who might go on incapacity benefit for mental health issues three years before they stop working, research has suggested.	
Under-18 ban 'cut teenage smoking rates'	Teenage smoking rates in England have dropped since the legal age for buying cigarettes rose from 16 to 18, research by University College London suggests.	
<p>The communications team reviews the following newspapers' websites daily: Daily Echo (Southampton), Daily Echo (Bournemouth), The News (Portsmouth), Forest Journal, Hampshire Chronicle, Romsey Advertiser, Basingstoke Gazette, Aldershot News, Farnborough News, Alton Herald, Petersfield Herald, Petersfield Post, Bordon Post, Bordon Herald, Andover Advertiser, Fleet News, Sandhurst News and Mail, Yateley News and Mail, BBC South Today and ITV Meridian.</p>		