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This week's (27 April - 3 May) highlights include:

### **The BMJ**

**Editorial: [The BMJ calls on the next Health Secretary to 'secure the NHS's future'](#)**

[Warning over 'challenging future' for NHS](#) - ITV News 30/4/2015

[NHS 'Close To Breaking Point' Warns Health Boss](#) - Sky News 30/4/2015

[The NHS - reality returns after polling day](#) - BBC News 01/5/2015

**Over 100 hits according to Google News** including coverage by the Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail, Yahoo News UK, Shropshire Star, RT, Yorkshire Post, Express & Star, Hartlepool Mail, Malton & Pickering Mercury, BT.com, OnMedica, Daventry Express, Harrogate Advertiser, Halifax Evening Courier, Harborough Mail, South Cotswolds Gazette, Craven Herald, Northamptonshire Telegraph, The Star, Ealing Times, Winsford Guardian, South Wales Guardian, Singapore News, The UK News, Medical Express, Eagle Radio, Mix 96, City Talk 105.9 and KL.FM 96.7.

**Research: [Characteristics of service users and provider organisations associated with experience of out of hours general practitioner care in England: population based cross sectional postal questionnaire survey](#)**

[Private GP out-of-hours care 'worse'](#) - BBC News 01/05/2015

[Commercial GP out-of-hours providers associated with worse care](#) - GP Online 01/05/2015

[Private providers of out-of-hours GP services deliver poorer care than NHS](#) - the Independent 01/05/2015

**Over 100 news stories listed on Google News** including coverage by ITV News, Daily Mail, The Times & The Times Ireland, Independent i, Yahoo News UK, Nursing Times, Western Morning News, OnMedica, Express & Star, BT.com, Shropshire Star, Little Hampton Gazette, Medical Xpress, and Harborough Mail.

Also broadcast in the news by the Today Programme on BBC Radio 4, News briefing on BBC Radio 4, After Midnight with Nicki Chapman on BBC Radio 2, Up All Night on BBC Radio 5 Live, Vanessa Feltz on BBC Radio 2, 5 Live Breakfast on BBC Radio 5 Live, Wake Up to Money on BBC Radio 5 Live and World Business Report on BBC News.

**Analysis: Food and the responsibility deal: how the salt reduction strategy was derailed by Andrew Lansley and the coalition government**

[Coalition 'derailed programme to save lives by reducing salt in food'](#) -The Guardian 29/4/2015  
[Government derailing of salt reduction programme 'put people at greater risk of heart disease and strokes,' says leading expert](#) - The Independent 29/4/2015  
[FDF respond to 'food and responsibility deal' analysis in The BMJ](#) - EIN Newsdesk 29/4/2015  
(comment by FDF)

This story was also covered by ITV News, The Times, The Times Ireland & The Times Scotland, Daily Telegraph & Daily Telegraph Scotland, Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail, The Warrington Guardian, Daily Mirror, The Grocer and VICE.

**Personal View: Alcoholic drinks contribute to obesity and should come with mandatory calorie count**

[EU to vote on calorie labels for alcoholic drinks](#) - BBC News 29/4/2015  
[Should Alcohol Be Forced to List Calories?](#) - Time 28/4/2015  
[Health 'bribes' only work for a few months, Government 'shame over killer salt' and EU plan to label alcohol calories](#) - Pulse 29/4/2015

This story was also covered by The Times & The Times Ireland, The Conversation, Express, BT.com, Daily Express & Scottish Daily Express, Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail, the Telegraph & The Telegraph Scotland, The Independent, Medical Daily, OnMedica, Today (Singapore) and IO9.

[Dr Oz, and how Oprah's weakness for crackpot theories tarnishes her legacy](#) - the Guardian 29/4/2015 (also in print)

[Oprah Blasts Dr. Oz by Canceling His Radio Show](#) - Fashion Spot 30/4/2015

[Myths grow over depression drugs](#) - Sunderland Echo 30/4/2015

[Salute The Nation That Brought The US Empire To Its Knees](#) - Morning Star 30/4/2015

[Science Explains Why Tattoos And Dark Skin May Foil Apple Watch](#) - Vocativ 29/4/2015

[Investigating science: are you a journalist with a story to tell?](#) - the Guardian 28/4/2015 - with quotes from Deborah Cohen, investigations editor at The BMJ

[6 common medical myths BUSTED!](#) - Times of India 27/4/2015

[Lies, damned lies, and HIV statistics](#) - The Daily Telegraph 27/4/2015 (also in print)

[Cardiologist says sugar and carbs are the main cause of rising obesity rates](#) - ABC Online 28/4/2015

[Britain says 'no' to green levies: More than half of voters object to paying eco taxes](#) - Mail Online 29/4/2015 (also in print)

[General practitioners are vital](#) - The Star 28/4/2015 (also in print)

[Morning news headlines: Parties focus on family finances, Briton's Nepal quake death report probed](#) - Liverpool Echo 29/4/2015

[U.S. Government Recommends Lower Level of Fluoride in Water](#) - Newsweek 27/4/2015

[Salute The Nation That Brought The US Empire To Its Knees](#) - Morning Star 30/4/2015 (also in print)

[Doctors, Medical Students Say, Divest From Fossil Fuels](#) - Sustainable Business News 30/4/2015

[There are worse things to die from than a plate of chips](#) - The Telegraph (also in print) 02/5/2015

[Earthquake in Nepal: science, media, health risks in dispute](#) - PLOS blog 01/05/2015

[Here's Your Health Excuse to Have a Mint Julep](#) - TIME 01/05/15

[Is Happiness Selfish?](#) - Huffington Post 01/05/05

[No brain, no pain: it is in the mind, so test results can make it worse](#) - The Conversation 30/4/15

[Bowel cancer risk may be reduced by rural African diet, study finds](#) - the Guardian 28/4/15

[Tobacco giants fund e-cigarettes LEAST likely to make you quit](#) - the Mirror 27/4/15

[Kate Middleton goes into labour: Palace spokesman says the birth 'is progressing normally' as world awaits arrival of new royal baby](#) - the Daily Mail 02/05/15

[Decorator catches ghostly doctor on camera while exploring haunted hospital](#) - Daily Mail 02/05/15

[Tiffany Jenkins: Health? There's an app for that](#) - the Scotsman 01/05/15

[Dozens of Scots sue medical firm over hip surgery that led to agony](#) - Scottish Mail On Sunday 03/5/2015 (in print, no link available)

[Big School](#) - Daily Mirror (in print, no link available) 02/4/2015

## JOURNALS

### **Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**

**Research: [Fifty moves a year: is there an association between joint physical custody and psychosomatic problems in children?](#)**

[This divorce arrangement stresses kids out most](#) - TIME 28/04/15

[Family divorce or separation linked to heightened risk of psychosomatic problems in teens, says report](#) - International Business Times 28/04/15

[Single parent kids suffer more health problems- study](#) - New Zealand Herald 28/04/15

This story was also covered by The Times + Times Ireland, The Independent, Independent i, Mirror, Daily Telegraph, Daily Mail, Scotsman, Belfast Telegraph, WebMD, OnMedica, Medical News Today, US News & World Report, News9, Medical Xpress, Science Daily, Stuff.co.nz, Zee News, Herald Sun, The Australian, News.com.au, Perth Now, Courier Mail, BT.com, ANI News, New Kerala, DaijiWorld, Times of India, The Hans India, Times of Malta, Focus News, Big News Network, Philly.com, Odisha Sun Times, Fox News, Health24, Business Standard, CBS local, HealthDay, Economic Times, Winnipeg Free Press, Yahoo Parenting, Southland Times, Headlines & Global News, HealthCanal.com, India Today, Good Housekeeping (blog)

## **Injury Prevention (US Focus)**

**Research: [Economics of alcohol involved traffic crashes in the USA: an input output analysis](#)**

[Drop in drunk driving crashes may have boosted US economy](#) - US News & World Report 30/04/15

[Drop in drunk driving crashes may have boosted US economy](#) - philly.com 30/04/15

[Reducing alcohol related car crashes may help the economy](#) - Reuters UK 02/05/15

This story was also covered by HealthDay, Science Codex, Medical Xpress, Doctors Lounge, Milwaukee Sentinel Journal, Medical Daily

**British Journal of Sports Medicine (further coverage on exercise and diet)**

[Just how effective is exercise for weight loss?](#) - Consumer Affairs 28/04/15

Also covered by South China Morning Post, Spectator (blog), ABC Online, Newsdaq, World First Travel Insurance, Doctors Lounge, BBC R5 (Phil Williams), BBC R4 (You and Yours), Gulf News, Malaysian Insider, RedOrbit, The Conversation (Australia), MinnPost, The Guardian Nigeria, Yahoo Lifestyle (2nd article), Cape Gazette

[Less sport training tied to groin injury](#) - Fox News 03/05/15

Also covered by Al-Bawaba, SAMAA TV

## **BMJ Open**

*External releases:*

[Realistic changes to UK diets could help a lot](#) - Science Codex 01/05/15

[Advise bowel cancer patients to take more exercise](#) - OnMedica 30/04/15

Also covered by Science Daily, Cancer Research UK, Oncology Nurse Advisor, HealthCanal, Nursing in Practice, Endo Nurse, AnaesthesiaUK

## **BMJ Case Reports**

[Five of the weirdest things to cause a cough](#) - Health24 30/4/15

## **Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases**

[Chronic pain follows adverse life events](#) - MedPage Today 01/05/15

## **Archives of Disease in Childhood**

[Paediatric hyperthyroidism is rarely familial disorder](#) - News-Medical.net 01/05/15