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This week's (30 Nov-6 Dec) highlights include:

The BMJ

Patient Partnership Initiative

[Does your doctor listen when you talk? & Here's how patients can take a larger part in their own care](#) (The BMJ is leading the way in patient involvement) – The Washington Post 30/11/2015

Overdiagnosis

Fiona Godlee and Robert Lechler from the Academy of Medical Sciences discuss the use of medicines to prevent - rather than just treat - disease on The Today Programme. Listen [here](#) from 1:46 mins.

Investigation: India's "health camps": the drug rep will see you now

['Drug cos use health camps to push sales'](#) - the Times of India 03/12/2015
[Sales reps testing patients at 'free health camps' in India](#) - Economic Times 03/12/2015
[Know Who's Testing You at the Free Health Camp? It Could Be a Layman](#) - NDTV 03/12/2015

Also covered by New Kerala, Asian Scientist Magazine, Drug Discovery & Development Economy Lead, ANINEWS, The Siasat Daily, TheHealthSite, Medical Xpress, Science Codex, Zee News and Free Press Journal.

Analysis: Downsizing: policy options to reduce portion sizes to help tackle obesity

[Obesity: Selling smaller food portions could solve crisis, say scientists](#) - the Independent 02/12/2015
[How to reduce Britain's growing obesity problem – serve meals on smaller plates, insists study](#) - Western Daily Press 03/12/2015
[Reduce Serving Sizes to Fight Obesity, Experts Say](#) - MedPage Today 03/12/2015

Also covered by The Times, The Times Ireland & The Times Scotland, the Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail, the Sun, Independent i, South China Morning Post, New Zealand Doctor Online, SBS, Rochdale Online, Economy Lead, NDTV, Health Newslines, Anandabazar, Science Codex, Medical Daily, Medical Xpress, Medical News Today, FoodNavigator-USA.com, ANINEWS, The Hans India, Big News Network.com, Business

Standard, Latinos Health, eMaxHealth , NEWS.com.au & extensive local newspaper coverage in Australia.

Cardiologist Aseem Malhotra mentions an analysis on statins published in The BMJ - BBC 1 Breakfast (link unavailable) 05/12/2015



Ongoing coverage for the obstetrics/weekend paper

[Study on weekend death rate in delivery wards sparks controversy](#) - Yahoo News Canada (blog) 04/12/2015

[Study into deaths of babies born at weekend 'raises questions for NHS' says Rosie midwife](#) - Cambridge News 03/12/2015

[Giving Birth on a Weekend Could Be Really Bad](#) - Good House Keeping 02/11/2015

[Would our babies have lived if they hadn't been born at the weekend?](#) - the Daily Mail 04/12/2015

[How much healthcare policy is based on evidence?](#) - The Guardian 01/12/2015

[Junior doctors contract: Jeremy Hunt accused of 'lying' over weekend mortality](#) - BBC News 03/12/2015

[Chemsex review: 'seriously sobering'](#) - the Daily Telegraph 03/12/2015

[Junior Doctors strike: Why unprecedented number of trainee medics REALLY want to walk out](#) - the Daily Express 30/11/2015

[Significant problems with Ranjit Chandra's research, says now-released MUN report](#) - CBC News 02/12/2015

[European folic acid recommendations have not reduced birth defects](#) - The Pharmaceutical Journal 02/11/2015

[Advisory Committee's Violations Of Federal Law Threaten Credibility Of 2015 Dietary Guidelines](#) - Forbes 03/12/2015

[20 People Now Own As Much Wealth as Half of All Americans](#) - the Nation 03/12/2015

[Unlikely perk of prison life: Free, speedy TB treatment](#) - Mail & Guardian 03/12/2015

[Empty nest mums are Britain's worst problem drinkers](#) - the Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail 30/11/2015

[A disillusioned obstetrician moves to Aberdeen and changes the lives of Scotland's women](#) - The Times Scotland 01/12/2015

JOURNALS

Injury Prevention

Research: The global burden of injury: incidence, mortality, disability-adjusted life years and time trends from the Global Burden of Disease study 2013

[The world is becoming a safer place to live in](#) - Washington Post 04/12/15

[The World Is A Safer Place — Except Where It's Not](#) - NPR 04/12/2015 (wrongly attributed to The British Medical Journal)

[Good news: the world is now a safer place](#) - Medical News Today 04/12/15

Also covered by Health Day, Medical Daily, Science Codex, Medical Xpress, Tech Insider, Grist, NET website, Star Daily Standard Times

Tobacco Control

Brief report: Thirdhand smoke contamination in hospital settings: assessing exposure risk for vulnerable paediatric patients

[Premature babies in intensive care at risk from tobacco toxins brought in on clothes and skin](#) - Western Daily Press 04/12/15

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases

[Why are so many gout patients ending up in hospital?](#) - Daily Mail 01/12/15 (print only)

BMJ Open

External PR:

[Why hospital patients are happier with British nurses](#) - Daily Mail 03/12/15

[Recruiting overseas nurses may negatively impact quality of patient care](#) - Belfast Telegraph 03/12/15

[Study suggests 13% of patients don't trust foreign nurses](#) - International Business Times Australia 03/12/15

Also covered by The Times + Times Ireland, Daily Express, The Independent, Daily Mirror, Daily Telegraph, International Business Times UK, Yahoo News, Newswise, Medical Xpress, Science Codex, Express, AOL UK, BT.com, extensive local coverage

[Midriff bulge clinging to one in four older Indians](#) - Asian Scientist 03/12/15

[Three quarters of 111 referrals to A&E 'unnecessary'](#) - PharmaTimes 01/12/15

Also covered by The Independent, NHS Executive, Daily Mail, The Times + Times Ireland

[Depression linked to hospitalization for preventable illness](#) - Psychiatry Advisor 04/12/15

BMJ Case Reports

[DIGITAL HOARDING MAY BECOME A NEW MENTAL DISORDER](#) - Capital Wired
30/11/2015

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care (Follow on PR)

[Walnuts each day keep the doctor away](#) - Kuwait Times 02/12/15

Also covered by: GeoNews Pakistan, Khaleej Times, The News International, Newsmax, AsiaOne, MedPage Today

BMJ Quality & Safety

[Hospitals form patient advisory councils to learn how they can improve care](#) - The Wall Street Journal 29/11/15

British Journal of Sports Medicine

[14 reasons to work out that have nothing to do with weight loss](#) - US News & World Report 04/12/15

[The performance enhancing effects of wearing the right sports bra](#) - Athletics Weekly 06/12/15

Occupational & Environmental Medicine

[Hepatitis C in health workers](#) - Personnel Today 30/11/15

Practical Neurology

[Long term apathy may be a sign of heart disease](#) - Daily Mail + Scottish Daily Mail 01/12/15