



BMJ in the News is a weekly digest of BMJ stories, plus any other news about the company that has appeared in the **national and a selection of English-speaking international media**.

This week's (2 - 8 Jan) highlights include:

The BMJ

Investigation: [Referral management schemes: good for whom?](#)

[NHS groups 'paying millions to private firms that block GP referrals'](#) - the Guardian 04/01/2017

[Questions over private firm 'interference' to Durham GPs](#) - Metro Radio 04/01/2017

[NHS pays millions to private firms to query GP hospital referrals](#) - iNews 04/01/2017

Also covered by The Times, The Sun, The Scottish Sun, the Irish Sun, the Daily Mail, Metro newspaper (**front page**) Metro Radio, Northern Echo, Morning Star Online & extensive local newspaper coverage, National Health Executive, Medical Xpress, MedIndia, Health Medicinet

Research: [Efficacy and effectiveness of screen and treat policies in prevention of type 2 diabetes](#)

[NHS screening plan for type 2 diabetes 'inaccurate'](#) - BBC News 05/1/2017

[CardioBrief: Screen-And-Treat to Prevent Diabetes Doomed to Fail](#) - MedPage Today 05/1/2017

[NHS Diabetes Prevention Plan 'Unlikely' To Have Impact. Study Suggests](#) - Huffington Post UK 05/01/2017

Also covered by The Times, The Times Scotland, the Daily Mail, the Daily Mirror, Medical Xpress, American Medical Association (blog), Health News Review, CardioBrief, Web MD, MedScape, Pulse, OnMedica, Nursing Times, Medical News Today, Health Medicinet, Knowridge Science Report, Pharmabiz, Health.com, Diabetes.co.uk

Fiona Godlee talked about air pollution on BBC Newsroom Live 05/01/2017 (online clip of recording unavailable)

Contestant on the [ITV game show The Case](#) was asked: "The BMJ is the weekly journal for people working in what field?" 05/01/2017

[Second opinion - Satirical look back on 2016 in health news](#) - BBC 2 04/01/2017 (mention of Jeremy Hunt's misuse of data from The BMJ paper on weekend death rates)

[Not a morning person? You must have been born at night!](#) - Daily Mail 05/01/2017

[Theresa May has just been savaged over the NHS – by her own Tory health Chair](#) - The Canary 04/01/2017

[Doctors urge Theresa May to publish anti-smoking strategy](#) - the Guardian 04/01/2017

[Research data, missing for decades, raise concerns on morning sickness drug](#) - STAT 04/01/2017

[Toronto doctor questions evidence quality for morning-sickness drug Diclectin](#)
The Globe and Mail 04/12/2016

[New Year's resolutions are like babies – fun to make, difficult to maintain](#) - Irish Times 02/1/2017

[Does Peer Review Help Weed Out Bad Science?](#) - The Wire 03/1/2017

[Sir Isaac Newton birthday: Things you didn't know about the genius](#) - International Business Times 03/01/2017

[Human Hibernation: The Big Sleep](#) - BBC Radio 4 03/01/2017

[Solar power wins hearts as well as minds as it looks to revolutionise the biotech industry](#) - The Canary 04/01/2017

[Now and Then explores the stories behind Toronto's historical plaques and monuments](#) - Torontoist 05/01/2017

[How to avoid a peptic ulcer in 2017](#) - The Courier-Journal 05/01/2017

[Why Cough Syrup Doesn't Do Anything and Is a Waste of Money](#) - ATTN 07/01/2017

['My hell at hands of doctor who abused and experimented on me'](#) - Derby Telegraph 07/01/2017

[A Massive Measles Outbreak Is Coming, Says Texas Researcher](#) - The Inquisitr 07/01/2017

[Why can't Yorkshire's NHS get over its addiction to consultancy?](#) - Wakefield Express 07/01/2017

[E-Cigarettes Found To Be A 'Cost-Effective Way To Help Smokers Quit'](#) - Huffington Post UK 06/01/2017

[This Is How Powerful The Mind-Body Connection Really Is](#) - Collective Evolution 08/01/2017

[Dr. Zorba Paster: Why 900 steps a day may be magic number for elderly](#) - Madison.com 06/01/2017

The BMJ Christmas

[Zombies Would Wipe Out Humans in Less than 100 Days](#) - Live Science 06/01/2017

[Did Angelina Jolie's breast cancer op-ed cause \\$13.5M in unnecessary costs?](#) - Lancaster Online 06/01/2017

[Could eating caviar be a 'risk factor' for having lots of money?](#) - Stanford Medical Center Report 05/01/2017

[Study on imprecise language examines how the term "risk factor" has multiple meanings in scientific literature](#) - Medical Xpress 06/01/2017

JOURNALS

BMJ Case Reports

Article: [Acute severe hyponatraemia secondary to polydipsia and associated herbal remedy use](#)

[Doctors issue new year detox health warning](#) - BBC News 03/01/2017

[New Year detox warning after patient suffers seizure](#) - Scotsman 03/01/2017

[Woman's New Year's "detox" goes horribly wrong](#) - CBS News 03/01/2017

Also covered by The Times, The Times Ireland, the Independent, the Daily Telegraph, the Daily Express, the Daily Mail, the Daily Mirror, Irish Daily Mail, Scottish Daily Mail, London Evening Standard, Huffington Post UK, Yahoo News, MSN, TIME, Vox, FOX News, International Business Times, Irish News, Irish Times, Irish Independent, Business Standard, New Zealand Herald, Refinery 29, OnMedica, Live Science, T4 Mag, Care 2, Counsel & Heal, Mother Nature Network, Medical Xpress, Health Medicinet, Medical Daily

[Losing hope in Mae La](#) - BBC Magazine 03/02/2017

Acupuncture in Medicine

[Fake Medical Journals Are Spreading, And They Are Filled With Bad Science](#) - Forbes 3/01/17

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases

[Combo Tx Aids in Scleroderma PAH](#) - MedPage Today 06/01/17

Archives of Disease in Childhood

[The choking hazard of grapes](#) - Medical News Bulletin 08/01/17

BMJ Open

[Double standards on binge drinking](#) - Prospect Magazine 06/01/17

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care

[Lifestyle intervention program may decrease cardiovascular risk in obese adults with diabetes](#) - Cardiovascular Business 05/01/17

[Joslin Reports Benefits of Weight-Loss Intervention Can Last 5 Years](#) - AJMC Managed Markets.com 05/01/17

[Shedding 'just a few pounds' cuts risk of diabetes and stroke](#) - The Scotsman 08/01/17

British Journal of Sports Medicine

[Participation in Specific Sports Tied to Significant Health Benefits](#) - Renal & Urology News 02/01/17

[Playing certain sports leads to a longer life](#) - Charlottesville Newsplex 06/01/17

[UK Multidisciplinary Team Presents First of its Kind Protocol for Traumatic Brain Injuries in Equine Sports in Berlin](#) - UKNow (University of Kentucky) 08/01/17

European Journal of Hospital Pharmacy

[Pharmacist review boosts detection of inappropriate prescribing](#) - The Pharmaceutical Journal 03/01/2017

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

[The Truth About Green Tea for Weight Loss](#) - Consumer Reports 08/01/17

Occupational & Environmental Medicine

[Research round-up: back pain in nursing homes](#) - Personnel Today 02/01/17

[How to get published in occupational health journals](#) - Personnel Today 03/01/17

Thorax

[Study connecting meat to asthma 'reckless' says NAMI](#) - Food Navigator.com 05/01/17

[Bad to the bone?](#) - Times of Malta 06/01/17

Tobacco Control

[Calls for rethink on vaping ban in hospital grounds](#) - The Scotsman 05/01/17

[Hospital vaping ban sends 'mixed message' about dangers, says public health expert](#) - Herald Scotland 06/01/17