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Department of Health and Social Care
Funding boost for artificial intelligence in NHS to speed up diagnosis of deadly diseases

Containing and managing local coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreaks

Technical specifications for personal protective equipment (PPE)
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/technical-specifications-for-personal-protective-equipment-ppe

Hospital discharge service guidance
https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hospital-discharge-service-guidance

Reintroduction of NHS continuing healthcare

Coronavirus cases in the UK: daily updated statistics

Government creates new National Institute for Health Protection

Prime Minister confirms funding to prepare the NHS for winter

New funding to double nursing apprentices and help deliver 50,000 more nurses

Research study into long-term health impacts of COVID-19 launched in the UK

National flu immunisation programme plan

How healthcare providers can prepare for 1 January 2021
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-healthcare-providers-can-prepare-for-brexit

NHS England
Learning Disability Newsletter: Issue 11

Identifying Patient Safety Specialists

Strengthening critical care skills for COVID-19 patients

Helping ‘shielded’ staff to continue to contribute
https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/helping-shielded-staff-to-continue-to-contribute/
National Institute for Health Research (NIHR)
Unprecedented national effort by UK immunologists to search for answers on COVID-19

COVID-19 less deadly and causes milder symptoms in children

New research finds better drug treatment for miscarriage as patients struggle to access surgery in Covid-19 pandemic

Two different techniques to treat men with an enlarged prostate gland are both effective, finds new research
https://www.nihr.ac.uk/news/two-different-techniques-to-treat-men-with-an-enlarged-prostate-gland-are-both-effective-finds-new-research/25547

NIHR Incubators launched for Clinical Education, Advanced Surgical Technology, Mental Health and Methodology

UK’s Chief Medical Officers urge hospitals to recruit 60% of eligible COVID-19 patients into RECOVERY trial

International trial shows single-dose radiotherapy as effective for treating breast cancer as conventional treatment

Research reveals breast screening women in their forties saves lives

Trial reveals plaster casts as effective as surgery for common wrist fracture in young people

NIHR shares two month update on implementation of the Restart Framework

Academy of Medical Royal Colleges
Medical Appraisal Guide 2020 A guide for professional medical appraisals in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

Medical Appraisal 2020 Key points for doctors

British Cardiovascular Society
The Future of Cardiology

COVID-19: Disentangling ethnicity and cardiovascular risk

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British Dietetics Association
BDA’s commercial relationships with companies who manufacture breastmilk substitutes

British Dental Association
BDA calls on Sunak to set out action plan for service

Tooth extractions: Pandemic means crisis will go from bad to worse

British Pain Society
BPS interim statement on NICE Draft Guidance on Chronic Pain in Over 16’s: Assessment and Management
https://www.britishpainsociety.org/static/uploads/resources/files/BPS_interim_statement_NICE_11.08.20___2.pdf

British Society of Gastroenterology
BSG multi-society guidance on further recovery of endoscopy services during the post-pandemic phase of COVID-19

How can gastroenterology training thrive in a post-COVID world?

The Management of adult patients with severe chronic small intestinal dysmotility

British Thoracic Society
BTS publishes Quality Standards for the outpatient management of Pulmonary Embolism

Chartered Society of Physiotherapists (some publications only available to CSP members)
Covid-19 - CSP policy statement on the restoration of physiotherapy and rehabilitation services

Teaching and training carers during the COVID-19 pandemic

Third phase of the NHS response to Covid-19: a CSP briefing

Community rehab toolkit to support members’ local influencing

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European Society of Cardiology
2020 Acute Coronary Syndromes (ACS) in Patients Presenting without Persistent ST-Segment Elevation, (Management of) Guidelines

2020 Atrial Fibrillation (Management of) Guidelines

2020 Adult Congenital Heart Disease (previously Grown-Up Congenital Heart Disease) (Management of) Guidelines

2020 ESC Guidelines on sports cardiology and exercise in patients with cardiovascular disease

Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare (RCOG)
PHE establishes National Framework for e-Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare

FSRH launches guidance on planning for LARC Procedures

FSRH statement: dismantling of PHE risks loss of continuity of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare interventions

FSRH, BMS, RCOG, RCGP, FOM, and FPH release joint position statement in response to the BMA report ‘Challenging the culture on menopause for doctors’

FSRH endorses Key Principles for Intimate Clinical Assessments Undertaken Remotely in Response to COVID-19 by NHSE + I
https://www.fsrh.org/news/fsrh-endorse-key-principles-for-intimate-clinical-assessments/

Understanding the impact of sexual health and reproductive health service changes during COVID-19: Tools and resources

General Dental Council
Joint statement on arrangements for dental education and training, while measures are in place to control the spread of COVID-19 (version 2 dated: 1 September 2020)

Findings from our thematic review on preparedness for practice

Renewsals to the dental care professionals register - August 2020
Research into ‘professionalism’ published

General Medical Council
GMC clarifies no role in medical education places

National Resource for Infection Control
Hospital discharge and preventing unnecessary hospital admissions (COVID-19)
https://www.nric.org.uk/node/54376

High levels of scarlet fever remain across England

Resuscitation Council (UK)
RCUK Statement on COVID-19 Guidance for Bystander CPR

Royal College of Anaesthetists
RCoA launch new Quality Improvement Compendium

Royal College of Emergency Medicine
RCEM and homeless charities warn of health impact of removing eviction ban

Royal College of General Practitioners
GP ‘gut feeling’ should not be ignored, says RCGP

GP practices preparing for expanded flu vaccination programme but need assurance about supply, says RCGP

More than 10,000 aspiring medics sign up for virtual GP work experience during COVID-19 crisis

Royal College of Midwives
Latest MIDIRS Packs on COVID-19 and the Midwife

What can we learn from the MBRRACE Rapid Report

Royal College of Nursing
The Menopause and Work: Guidance for RCN Representatives
https://www.rcn.org.uk/professional-development/publications/rcn-menopause-and-work-uk-pub-009327
Building a Better Future for Nursing: RCN members have their say
https://www.rcn.org.uk/professional-development/publications/rcn-building-a-better-future-covid-pub-009366

Your Essential Guide to NMC Revalidation

Royal College of Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Royal Colleges say multi-disciplinary maternity care is key to improving maternal outcomes

Royal College of Occupational Therapists
Perinatal mental health training for occupational therapists: how involving clinical experts ensured programme relevance and credibility
https://www.rcot.co.uk/perinatal-blog-aug

Shaping the future of Annual Conference
https://www.rcot.co.uk/news/shaping-future-annual-conference

The Chief Allied Health Professions Officer Equality Diversity and Inclusion Roundtable Meeting

Royal College of Ophthalmologists
College of Optometrists and The Royal College of Ophthalmologists launch joint vision for delivering patient eye care services during and beyond COVID-19

Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health
RCPCH publishes statement on mental health
https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/news-events/news/rcpch-publishes-statement-mental-health

How we delivered the National Diabetes Quality Programme

MRCPCH Clinical exams - update on adapted exam - August 2020

RCPCH publishes statement on vaccinations
https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/news-events/news/rcpch-publishes-statement-vaccinations

RCPCH and ICHG publish statement on the impact of COVID-19 on global child health

Royal College of Pathologists -
G101 Tissue pathways for non-neoplastic neuropathology specimens
Royal College of Physicians
Women, BAME and rural physicians struggle to access research says RCP
https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/news/women-bame-and-rural-physicians-struggle-access-research-says-royal-college-physicians

RCP and other leading health organisations concerned for patients following pause of shielding programme

Royal College of Psychiatrists
Statement on availability of lithium carbonate ('Priadel')
https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/news-and-features/latest-news/detail/2020/08/03/statement-on-lithium-carbonate-priadel

Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS LOGIN required on some areas - Hospital Pharmacy)
New guide on supply of stimulant laxatives

More action needed on pharmacy risk assessments

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