Important message

Dear Telecare LIN Member

Jeremy Porteus, Programme Lead for DH Care Networks writes:

It is with regret that I must inform you that the DH Care Network's website will be closed down by 31 March 2011. Indeed, the last Telecare LIN communication using the DH Care Networks website will be February 2011 when our programme funding for this ceases. We will then be moving content from the Telecare LIN pages to a standalone site as well as exploring how we can support third parties communicate latest policy and practice information on telecare and telehealth in the future.

We know that you have found our website content, national and regional LIN events of enormous value in enhancing the learning and capability of telecare and related assistive technologies as part of your local service transformation and partnership working, research and product development and making the business case to support investment decisions that improve the quality of life for users of your services.

For your information, the WSDAN website that provides a publicly accessible portal through to the latest news on the WSD pilots and emerging news and features on the evidence-base on telehealth and telecare will also continue. However, it should be noted that WSDAN is not currently set up to provide the personal support and advice that you have enjoyed through the Telecare LIN.

In the meantime, on a personal note. I would like to end by thanking you for your active participation in this network. With the support of Mike Clark we have made considerable progress in putting telecare on the map!

With best wishes and keep networking

Jeremy Porteus
Network resources:

**WSDAN daily journal news**

WSDAN Weekly News – latest 7 February 2011 follow @clarkmike or #WSDAN on Twitter for alerts

**WSDAN Features**

Recently added features include:

- Light-touch, rapid evaluation of telehealth and telecare pilot programmes
- Telehealth monitoring in heart failure – recently published trials
- Commissioning telecare and telehealth in 2011
- December 2010: WSD Programme Update

**WSDAN Evidence database for telecare and telehealth** - 415 journal articles listed

Monthly newsletter archive

**PCT Telehealth Map** – now colour coded for long term conditions

**Telecare Services Map** - currently being updated for new web sites and charging information

The December 2010 Housing LIN newsletter is also available.

The mailbox, telecare@dhcarenetworks.org.uk is no longer available from 1 February 2011. The WSDAN mailbox remains available (wsdnetwork@kingsfund.org.uk) or contact Mike Clark via Twitter (@clarkmike).

*Note: DH Care Networks/WSDAN is not responsible for the content of external links and does not endorse any suppliers or their products. Any claims made by organisations should be carefully evaluated as part of normal commissioning and procurement arrangements.*
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Summary for February 2011 Newsletter

**Item 1** Funding is available that can be used for telecare to support hospital discharges, care at home and winter pressures in 2010/11. Further resources have been identified in the NHS Operating Framework for 2011/12.

**Item 2** News from the Department of Health - The Health Bill (England) has started it journey through Parliament. The Committee Stages commence on 8 February 2011. A further £162m funding was announced for 2010/11 – this could be used locally for telecare services. The Modernisation of Healthcare web site provides information about the developing new arrangements including GP-led Commissioning, Health and Well-Being Boards etc.

**Item 3** covers latest calls, competitions and funding.

**Item 4** covers upcoming calls, competitions and funding.

**Item 5** covers upcoming events, conferences and courses for telecare and telehealth.

**Item 5** Early insights into the WSD Programme will be covered at the Telehealth and Telecare International Congress in London in March 2011.

**Item 6** The iNeighbourhood will showcase innovative telecare, telehealth and assistive technology at the NHS Healthcare Expo in London in March 2011.

**Item 7** covers external contributions to the newsletter.

**Item 8** provides the most comprehensive published links on telecare and telehealth over the past month.
1 ***Reminder item - Department of Health Funding – telecare references – are your plans in place?

Recent announcements in October/December 2010 and January 2011 identify funding from the Department of Health that can be used within social care including the use of telecare. Some of this funding (£70m and £162m) relates to this financial year (2010/11). The Department has recently sent out a letter to health and social care organisations to summarise these arrangements. Are your plans in place?

Here are the links:

***£70 million support to help people in their homes after illness or injury
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_120118

***The Operating Framework for the NHS in England 2011/12 (references to telecare and telehealth)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Financeandplanning/Planningframework/index.htm

***£162m additional winter pressures to primary care trusts

***NHS support for social care: 2010/11 – 2012/13 - Letter
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_123460

2 News from the Department of Health (January 2011)

Prepared by Mike Clark

Additional DH publications and more details are available in the Links section.

a) *** £162m additional winter pressures to primary care trusts (4 January 2011)

Letter following the announcement on 4 January 2011 that the Government is allocating a one-off additional £162m to primary care trusts in England to invest immediately in vital social care services which also benefit the NHS.

Download letter: £162m additional winter pressures to primary care trusts (PDF, 62K)

The £162m will bring forward the plans being put in place by health and local authorities to work together using NHS funding to support social care, as announced in the Spending Review. The money will be allocated to PCTs on the basis of the social care relative needs formula and is in addition to the funding for reablement services that is incorporated within recurrent PCT allocations. The Operating Framework for the NHS in England, 2011 sets out how this funding should be managed:

“PCTs will need to transfer this funding to local authorities to invest in social care services to benefit health, and to improve overall health gain. Transfers will need to be made via an agreement under Section 256 of the 2006 NHS Act.

PCTs need to work together with local authorities to agree jointly on appropriate areas for social care investment, and the outcomes expected from this investment. This could include current services such as telecare, community directed prevention (including falls prevention), community equipment and adaptations, and crisis response services. The Department would expect these decisions to take into account the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for their local population, and the existing commissioning plans for both health
and social care. PCTs should work with local authorities to achieve these outcomes in a transparent and efficient manner, with local authorities keeping PCTs informed of progress using appropriate local mechanisms.“

Examples of the kinds of services that could be invested in are:

- additional short-term residential care places, or respite and intermediate care;
- more capacity for home care support, investment in equipment, adaptations and telecare;
- investment in crisis response teams and other preventative services to avoid unnecessary admission to hospital; and
- further investment in reablement and rehabilitation services, to help people regain their independence and reduce the need for ongoing care. PCTs and councils have already received additional funding this year to expand reablement services

The extra £162 million funding is in addition to the previously announced £70 million that the NHS will spend this year on reablement services. There will be a further provision of £300m by 2014-15 for continued investment in these vital front line reablement services.


Press release: http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_123223

b) Health and Social Care Bill 2011 published on 19 January 2011

The Health and Social Care Bill was introduced into Parliament on 19 January 2011. The Bill is a crucial part of the Government’s vision to modernise the NHS so that it is built around patients, led by health professionals and focused on delivering world-class healthcare outcomes.

The Bill takes forward the areas of Equity and Excellence: Liberating the NHS (July 2010) and the subsequent Government response Liberating the NHS: legislative framework and next steps (December 2010) which require primary legislation. It also includes provision to strengthen public health services and reform the Department’s arm’s length bodies.

The Bill contains provisions covering five themes:

- strengthening commissioning of NHS services
- increasing democratic accountability and public voice
- liberating provision of NHS services
- strengthening public health services
- reforming health and care arm’s-length bodies.

Link:
c) ***Health and Social Care Bill 2011 - Second Reading of the Bill on 31 January 2011

Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley, introduced the second reading of the Health and Social Care Bill in the House of Commons on Monday 31 January 2011.

The Bill passed with a vote and will now be considered in a Public Bill Committee. The Public Bill Committee is expected to meet for the first time on **Tuesday 8 February 2011**.

Second reading:

Link to the Bill:

d) Modernisation of healthcare web site

![Modernisation of healthcare web site](http://healthandcare.dh.gov.uk/)

e) Health Committee - Commissioning: further issues – 8 February 2011

On 8 February the Health Committee will hold its first oral evidence session on Commissioning: further issues. The Terms of Reference for the inquiry were issued on 25 January 2011.

**Tuesday 8 February 2011**

**Witnesses:**

*At 10.30 am*

Malcolm Alexander, Chair, National Association of LINks Members
Caroline Millar, Partner, Moore-Adamson-Craig Partnership Ltd
Prof Jonathan Tritter, Institute of Governance and Public Management, Warwick Business School
At 11.45 am
Dr Charles Alessi, Kingston Pathfinder GP commissioning consortium
Dr Clare Gerada, Chair, Royal College of GPs
Mike Sobanja, Chief Executive, NHS Alliance
Dr Peter Carter, General Secretary and Chief Executive, Royal College of Nursing


f) Parliamentary Question on care for older people (3 February 2011)

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** (Conservative)
To ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that the level of care provided to the elderly is consistent across the country.

**Earl Howe** (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Quality), Health; Conservative)
The outcome frameworks for health, social care and public health will set out outcomes relevant to older people. Local communities will be able to use the outcomes to hold the health and care system to account, including through health and well-being boards and local HealthWatch.

In addition, on 4 January 2011, the department made additional funding of £162 million available to primary care trusts (PCTs) which will transfer to local authorities for immediate spending on social care services to benefit health and to improve overall health gain including for older people. Also, £648 million will be transferred from PCTs to local authorities to spend on social care services that also benefit health. PCTs will need to work together with local authorities to agree jointly on appropriate areas for social care investment and the outcomes expected from this investment. Also, the department’s best practice tariff incentivises high-quality care in hip fracture (a key issue affecting older patients).

Moreover, funding of £70 million has been made available for reablement and post-discharge support in 2010-11. From April, this rises to £150 million and, after that, £300 million each year has been earmarked for reablement up to March 2015. It will be for PCTs to work with local authorities to develop local reablement capacity and it is for local discretion the proportion of spend on the National Health Service and social care.

[http://www.theyworkforyou.com/wrans/?id=2011-02-03a.281.3&s=earl+howe#g281.5](http://www.theyworkforyou.com/wrans/?id=2011-02-03a.281.3&s=earl+howe#g281.5)

**3 Calls, competitions and funding**

Various TSB feasibility study competitions open on January 10th 2011 and close at noon on February 10th 2011.
£2m Feasibility studies in Digital Services (Assisted Living specifically mentioned)
£2m Technology-Inspired Feasibility studies


### 4 Events, conferences, courses

- **Mobile and wireless healthcare 2011** Birmingham 16 February 2011

- The Third International Conference on eHealth, Telemedicine, and Social Medicine 23.02.2011 - 28.02.2011, Guadeloupe, France

- TeleHealth at CeBIT 2011, Hanover, 1-5 March 2011

- CUHTec - Adapting Your Telecare Service to new Financial Circumstances 3 March 2011 University of York, York
  [www.cuhtec.org.uk/events.php](http://www.cuhtec.org.uk/events.php)

- International congress on Telecare and Telehealth, The King’s Fund 2-3 March 2011
  [http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/telecaretelehealth.html](http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/telecaretelehealth.html)


- New: Advanced technologies for an ageing population - Glasgow, Scotland 23/24 March 2011

- Technology with Disabled and Older People: Business development, Building alliances and Impact assessment March 28-29, 2011 London School of Economics

- Med-e-tel Luxembourg 6-8 April 2011
  [www.medetel.eu](http://www.medetel.eu)

- ATA Annual meeting and Expo – Tampa, Florida 1-3 May 2011

- European eHealth Week 2011, (10-12 May 2011), Budapest
  [http://www.prnewswire.co.uk/cgi/news/release?id=308539](http://www.prnewswire.co.uk/cgi/news/release?id=308539)
5 International Congress on Telehealth and Telecare (1-3 March 2011)

An international Congress on Telehealth and Telecare will be taking place in London from 1-3 March 2011. The Congress includes some early insights from the Whole System Demonstrator Programme which will be publishing outcomes from Spring 2011.

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/telehealthtelecare.html

The future of telehealth and telecare in England is on a knife edge (Nick Goodwin Blog) http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/blog/the_future_of.html

6 NHS Healthcare Innovation Expo (9, 10 March 2011)

http://www.healthcareinnovationexpo.com/

The NHS Expo will feature an iNeighbourhood with a range of telecare, telehealth and assistive technology.
7 Contributions

a) From Maggie Ellis, London School of Economics

Technology with Disabled and Older People: Business development, Building alliances and Impact assessment - A European Conference  March 28-29, 2011 London School of Economics

ICT applied in novel and sensitive ways may deliver capability for both addressing the welfare needs and enabling the personal markets of the growing ageing population.

A pool of experience in early provision of services and technologies for both assisted and independent living and active ageing is being steadily gathered across Europe.

Wider deployment rests upon identification of the business opportunities. A structured and widely drawn systems approach is necessary to unleash the user pull necessary to enable this. The prize being a triple win for People, Governments and Business.

The immediate requirements then are improved communication, understanding and cooperation between the diverse parties
- Agreed metrics to enable comparisons
- Impact assessment from Research to users
- Cost effectiveness data for stakeholders
- New business strategies founded on these

A range of organisations are working with the London School of Economics to encourage better working practices.

Including:
- The Department of Business, Initiative and Skills, AGE Platform Europe,
- The College of Occupational Therapists,
- The Technology Strategy Board,
- The Knowledge Transfer Network,
- The Knowledge Tree Group, MonAMi project,
- with industry, and the
- Sasakawa Foundation to organise this event.

Abstract Instructions, registration and hotel details at the link www.electronics-ktn.com/lse_Business development.aspx

b) From Tim Craig (tim.craig@inmezzo.com)

Press Release - 11th January 2011
New service will enable people with disabilities to select services at home
InMezzo, a company that specialises in business systems management, security and telecommunications facilities for telecare, has been awarded a contract by SEHTA (South East Health Technology Alliance) to produce a new audio visual system that will enable people to book medical and other services from home.

Working with Aylesbury Vale District Council and the International Centre of Excellence- Telecare (ICE-T) showcase site and Bucks New Uni, in partnership with the world leading National Spinal Injuries Centre at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, InMezzo is developing BookIT, a system that will make it easy for people with disabilities to select and book services, such as occupational therapy sessions or even a haircut.

The contract is awarded as part of SEHTA’s ICE-T (International Centre of Excellence for Telecare) programme which is funded by SEEDA (South East England Development Agency). Stoke Mandeville Hospital is advising on clinical and usability issues for users and service providers in a series of workshops.

The ability to choose services from home is important for people with disabilities or other medical conditions who often find it difficult to communicate to explain their sometimes complex needs.

BookIT will be delivered through InMezzo’s SmartCare next generation telecare network and Service Delivery Platform. The platform provides remote video communications, enabling sign language and sharing of visual images, diagrams, written notes and documents between patients, carers and service providers.

BookIT will provide social benefits for people using the service. They can meet, talk to, and engage with trusted care professionals of their own choice. They can build a network of sympathetic carers, friends and colleagues, in their own time, in their own location, and at their own discretion, encouraging independence and self care.

BookIT will reduce the need to travel for appointments, and the inconvenience, while saving time and expense.

Service providers, like the National Spinal Injuries Centre at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, who provide ongoing support to spinal injured patients, will benefit from being able to keep in touch with them much more easily, wherever they live. It reduces the need for outpatient clinics, travel, saving costs and enabling carers to manage their own time better.

Dr David Parry, CEO of SEHTA, said: “Telecare and telehealth technologies are not only about helping people with their health. Services that are being developed, such as BookIT, can help individuals to manage their lives with greater flexibility and freedom, and with lesser burden on them and carers.”


SEHTA – www.sehta.co.uk
InMezzo – www.smartcare-uk.com
Aylesbury Vale District Council - www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk
8 News and links

*News from around the world covering telecare, telehealth and related areas of interest to commissioners, service providers, suppliers and other organisations – prepared by Mike Clark (Twitter – @clarkmike #WSDAN)*

Some recent headlines you may have missed from the weekly news
(www.dhcarenetworks.org.uk/telecaresolutions)

**Links from 10 January 2011**

***£162m additional winter pressures to primary care trusts***
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_123287

***Extra money to help people leaving hospital***
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_123223

£600,000 boost for hospital beds (South Tyneside)

A model for the co-provision of home-based care (registration required)
http://www.hsj.co.uk/5022646.article?referrer=e39

***Bed blocking on the rise as care cuts leave elderly stuck in hospital***

***Cabinet Office: Applying behavioural insight to health (telehealth example in Cabinet document)***

***King’s Fund: Applying behavioural insight to health (telehealth example in Cabinet document)***

Council funding cuts could make ‘bed-blocking’ worse
http://ageukblog.org.uk/2011/01/07/council-funding-cuts-could-make-bed-blocking-worse/

Failings in care of dementia sufferers exposed

Royal College of Psychiatrists interim report: national audit of dementia care in general hospitals
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_123186

Get connected with telecare (West Sussex)
http://www.crawleyhappytimes.co.uk/2011/01/04/get-connected-with-telecare/

GP consortia to police scheme to slash unplanned hospital admissions (requires registration)
http://pulsetoday.co.uk/story.asp?sectioncode=35&storycode=4128167&c=2

GSCPF Telecare Event Paves Way to Independent Living (Glasgow - 20 Jan 2010)
http://www.allmediascotland.com/media_releases/28403/gscpf-telecare-event-paves-way-to-independent-living

King’s Fund: How do quality accounts measure up? - findings from the first year
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/quality_accounts_1.html

Record numbers to turn 65 in 2011... but baby boomers face bleak financial future, experts warn (BBC)

Ridgeway Telecare receives national award

Ryecare Lifeline Service to cost more
http://www.gazetteherald.co.uk/news/8780280.Elderly_support_service_to_cost_more/

Telecare can play key role in preventing domestic violence
http://tunstall-telehealthcare.blogspot.com/2011/01/telecare-can-play-key-role-in.html

QIPP National Urgent Care Clinical Dashboard - Invitations for Expressions of Interest from Pioneer Sites
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_123293

Telecare can play key role in preventing domestic violence
http://tunstall-telehealthcare.blogspot.com/2011/01/telecare-can-play-key-role-in.html

Using a Wii could help people with Parkinson’s to combat some symptoms of the disease, researchers believe.
http://www.csp.org.uk/director/members/newsandanalysis/frontlinemagazine.cfm?ITEM_ID=516184B5A0107B67E57D8DF645F086CE&article=

Yate company helps water crisis in Northern Ireland - Home Telehealth Limited has been providing those affected by the supply shortages who have medical problems and illnesses with lifeline support via a telephone monitoring system.
http://www.gazetteseries.co.uk/news/8768371.Yate_company_helps_water_crisis_in_Northern_Ireland/

***Apps to Help Track Seniors’ Medical Needs
http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704111504576060041940701926.html

AT&T-enabled smart pill bottles now available (USA)
http://www.ajc.com/business/at-t-enabled-smart-794897.html

ATandT Adds MedApps Remote Monitoring to 3G for Health Platform (USA)
http://gadgetwise.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/01/03/sprint-wants-to-tell-your-phone-whether-youre-really-exercising/?src=busIn

***Blood pressure peripheral heading to Apple store?
http://mobihealthnews.com/9830/blood-pressure-peripheral-heading-to-apple-store/

Broadband Helping Telemedicine (USA)

Diabetes Soaring Among American Adults: Report - The number of people treated for the illness rose more than two-fold between 1996 and 2007
http://www.businessweek.com/lifestyle/content/healthday/648552.html

Digital tools can help put fitness goals on track

E-mail, Health Assessments Top Telehealth Tools for Population Health Management, Survey Finds
http://www.pr-inside.com/e-mail-health-assessments-top-telehealth-tools-r2331827.htm

GE and Intel’s Telehealth and Independent Living Company is Operational Today

Heart360 – A Great Website Tool To Help Monitor Your Health (USA)

How cutting-edge hospitals use social media

How The mHealth Market Will Change Within The Next 5 Years

IDEAL LIFE Introduces the First “Health Tablet™” That Automatically Connects Health Consumers with Their Care Providers
http://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20110104005295/en/IDEAL-LIFE-Introduces-%E2%80%9CHealth-Tablet%E2%84%A2%E2%80%9D-Automatically-Connects

Integrated health systems help to keep the focus on patients (USA)

Integration of mHealth Applications with Healthcare is Imminent

iRobot debuts AVA telepresence robot with tablet controls

Mobile Devices: EMR Integration Is Just Beginning

Mobile Health Apps To Triple By 2012
mobileStorm Publishes Extensive 2011 Mobile Healthcare Report

More Patients Making Appointments Online As Doctors Embrace Web (USA)

Online health info popular but often unchecked
http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSTRE7031JL20110104

Personal Activity Monitor to Interface with Sprint Phones

Personal health monitors are going wireless, wearable and implantable
http://www.wired.co.uk/magazine/archive/2011/01/start/the-doctor-will-sense-you-now

Qualcomm to Deliver 3G Connectivity in Telcare Blood Glucose Meters
http://healthcare.tmcnet.com/topics/healthcare/articles/131788-qualcomm-deliver-3g-connectivity-telcare-blood-glucose-meters.htm

Remote Patient-Monitoring Gaining Ground

Remotely Monitoring Patients: Pilot Programs Take Off

Researchers Study Health IT Utilization in Patient Medicare Adherence

Rural Areas of Calif. Facing Dire Shortage of Physicians (use of telemedicine)
Read more: http://www.californiahealthline.org/articles/2011/1/5/rural-areas-of-calif-facing-dire-shortage-of-physicians.aspx#ixzz1AFV80t00

Rush for $55m e-health funding (Australia)

Samsung’s Tweeting Refrigerator
http://mashable.com/2011/01/09/samsung-tweeting-refrigerator/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Mashable+%28Mashable%29
Smart Phones and Remote Controls Help Elderly and Disabled to Manage their Homes

Smartphones emerge in new health care role
http://www.democratandchronicle.com/article/20110109/OPINION02/101090359

Telemedicine Legislation Introduced (USA)

The World's Most Revolutionary Cell Phone
http://www.good.is/post/the-world-s-most-revolutionary-cell-phone/

Walking Speed Associated With Survival in Older Adults
http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/01/110104161621.htm

Why Home Health Technology Will Explode in 2011
http://www.cepro.com/article/why_home_health_technology_will_explode_in_2011/

Withings’ New Blood Pressure Cuff Interfaces With iOS Devices to Track Blood Pressure

Links for January 2011 CES in Las Vegas

CES 2011: connected home
http://www.telegraph.co.uk/technology/ces/8240217/CES-2011-connected-home.html

CES Digital Health Summit to flaunt mobile health technologies

CES Preview Slideshow: Mobile health devices
http://mobihealthnews.com/9855/ces-preview-slideshow-mobile-health-devices/

CES: Consumer Electronics Show: Robots, robots, everywhere!

CES: Digital health tech on display at electronics show
http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5Hyk9RVurP1uog3rJhYluYHwDWDSQ?docId=CNG.f743df69e39530a06cd5cbf6c176ca6f.621

CES: Elbrys Announces First Continua Certified™ Wireless Aggregation Manager for Telehealth based on TI platform at CES 2011

CES: Qualcomm, Telcare, iHealth to Unveil Health Monitoring Products at CES

CES: Smart Grid, Smarter Home
http://www.technologyreview.com/blog/editors/26238/

CES: Talking Tech at CES: Nike's GPS watch

CES: 10 iOS Gadgets at CES 2011

TI presenting telehealth aggregation manager at CES 2011 (video)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ySL4sEzEibg

Continua: See Personal Connected Health Technology in Action at CES 2011

**Links from 17 January 2011**

Biometrics technology could make home care more secure
Read more: http://www.theengineer.co.uk/news/biometrics-technology-could-make-home-care-more-secure/1006833.article#ixzz1B5tEf3nU

Consortia Could Use Telehealth to Reduce Hospital Admissions
http://www.telehealthsolutions.co.uk/news/2011/01/10/consortia-could-use-telehealth-to-reduce-hospital-admissions

Dementia service to be piloted by Bucks charity (GPS Monitor)
http://www.bucksfreepress.co.uk/news/localnews/wycombe_district/8781432.Dementia_service_to_be_piloted_by_Bucks_charity/

***DH: Living well with dementia: a National Dementia Strategy - good practice compendium

DH: NHS reference costs 2009-2010

***DH: NHS support for social care: 2010/11 – 2012/13
Diabetes Careline service now linked up to NHS Direct

Elderly enjoy Internet browse - ELDERLY residents at an Eastbourne nursing home are learning to use the internet thanks to a grant from the Department of Health
http://www.eastbourneherald.co.uk/community/elderly_enjoy_internet_browse_1_2284806

End of the line for OAP wardens (Doncaster)
http://www.thestar.co.uk/doncaster/End-of-the-line-for.6689204.jp

***Full Story - THE CASE FOR TELEMONITORING (UK)
http://www.google.com/url?sa=X&q=http://www.ihm.org.uk/newsletters/newsletter_articles/hcweekly12jan11_barrett&ct=ga&cad=CAcQAhgAIIEAoATAAOABAnSTM6QRlAVpAYgJibg&cd=122Nic9Fwi0&usg=AFQjCNHeVdVgK1hApgBzqMEoUA6AH7IdA

Housing for the over 55s gets a boost in Blackpool (Telecare reference)
http://www.guardian.co.uk/housing-network/2011/jan/12/case-studies-tenants

JIT, Scotland - Dec 2010 Newsletter
http://www.jitscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/e-newsletter/

Major new telecare deployment in Scotland benefits over 1600 people

National award for community lifeline (South Derbyshire)
http://www.burtonmail.co.uk/News/National-award-for-community-lifeline.htm

New Progress celebrate industry recognition for quality

NHS Direct contacts move online
http://www.ehi.co.uk/news/EHI/6551/nhs_direct_contacts_move_online

NHS telehealth trial for heart patients gives "new lease of life" (Wakefield)

Pace in talks over extra services (includes remote monitoring)
http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/mediatechnologyandtelecoms/8249059/Pace-in-talks-over-extra-services.html

SEHTA - Innovation and Collaboration Workshop, 3 February 2011
http://www.sehta.co.uk/events/innovation_and_collaboration_workshop

SEHTA - Pharmacy of the Future
South Ayrshire care services set for cash boost (telecare reference)

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