

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH/DHSS
HELD ON MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 1995 AT 12.00 NOON IN DUNDONALD
HOUSE**

Present:

Dr D Corrigan
Dr D Stewart
Dr J D Watson
Dr W W M McConnell

Department:

Dr H Campbell (Chairman)
Dr C E Hall
Dr P Woods
Dr E Mitchell (Items 3, 12, 13)
Dr A Mairs (Item 3, 14)

1. APOLOGIES

[REDACTED]

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 MAY
1995 - PAPER DsPH 27/95.**

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3. MATTERS ARISING

**i Regional Consortium Arrangements for
Pathology**

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ii Hepatitis C

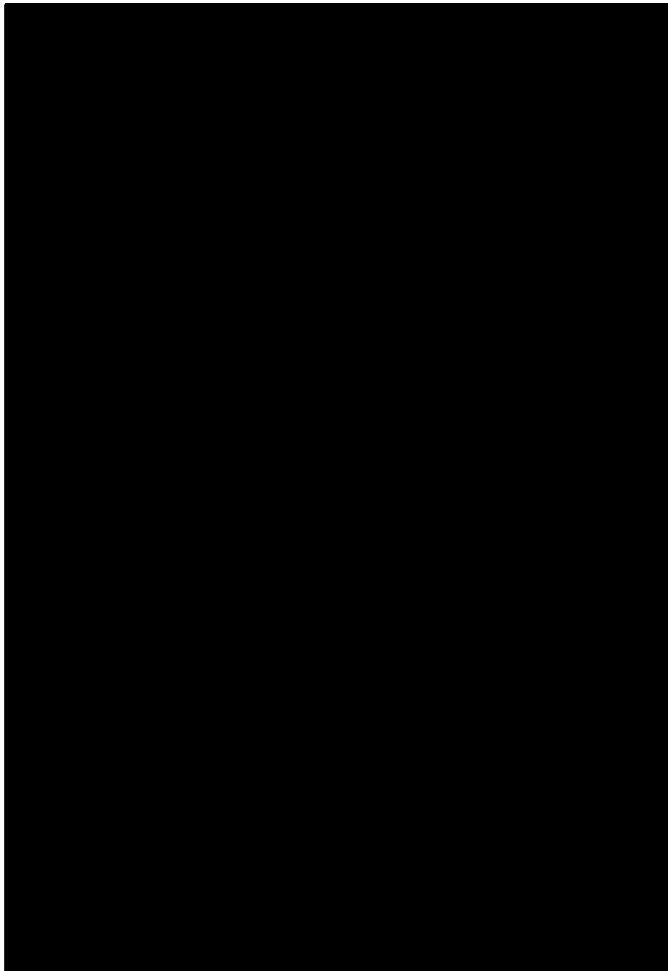
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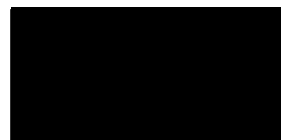
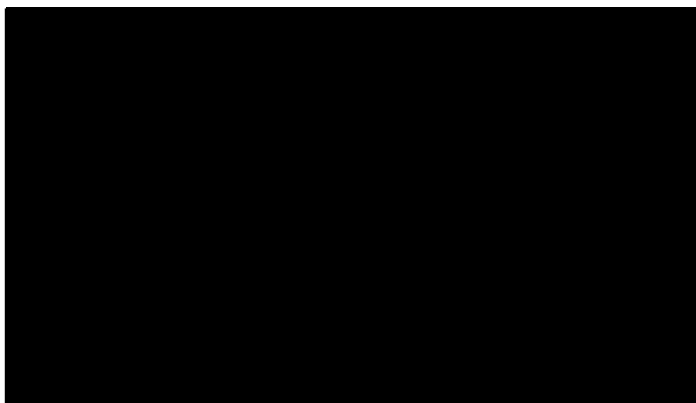
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iii Update on Training Posts For PAMs



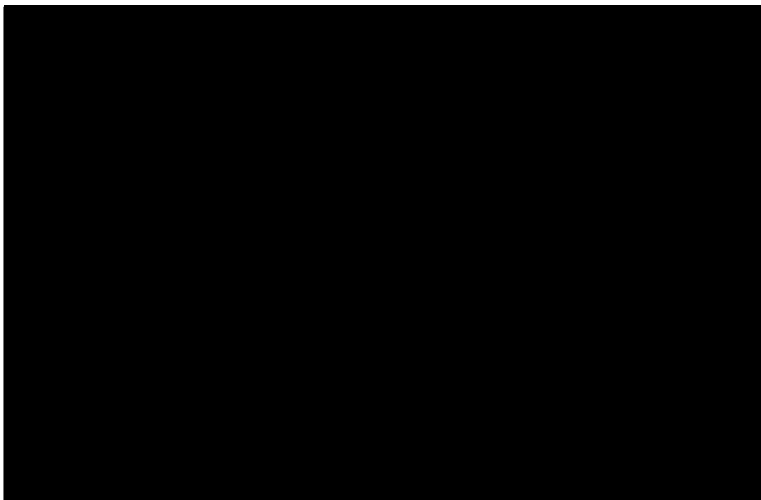
iv Guidelines for Retention on Minor Surgical List



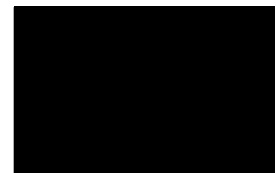
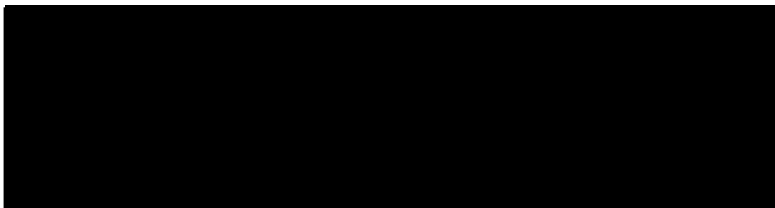
4. DATES OF PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS

CMO told DsPH that her 3 counterparts in Great Britain currently publish their reports in September. Dr Calman has suggested that the 4 CMOs should co-ordinate publication, all tackling the same key issues. The next reports are due for publication in September 1996. It was agreed that CMO should publish her report in September and that DsPH should continue to publish their reports in January or February.

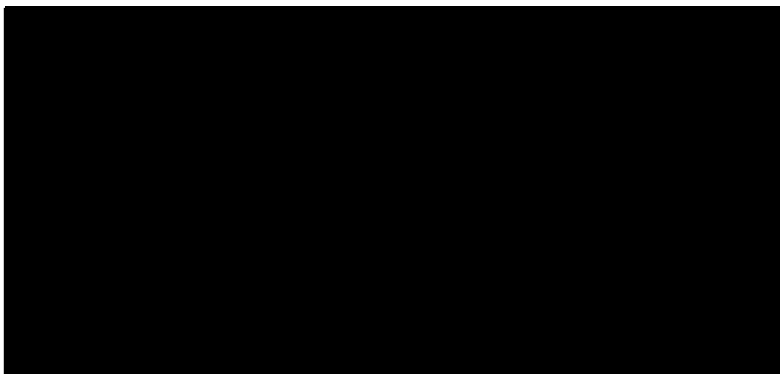
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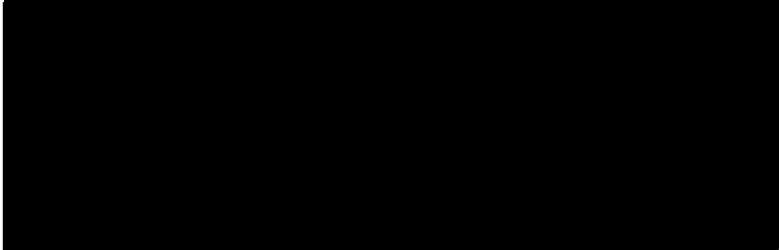
6. QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR CERVICAL SCREENING PROGRAMMES. PAPER DsPH - 28/95.



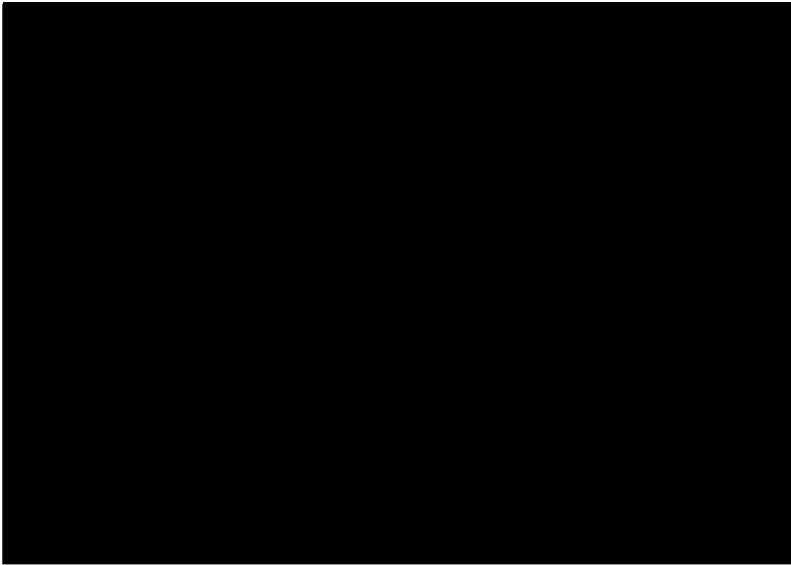
7. PAEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY. PAPER DsPH 29/95.



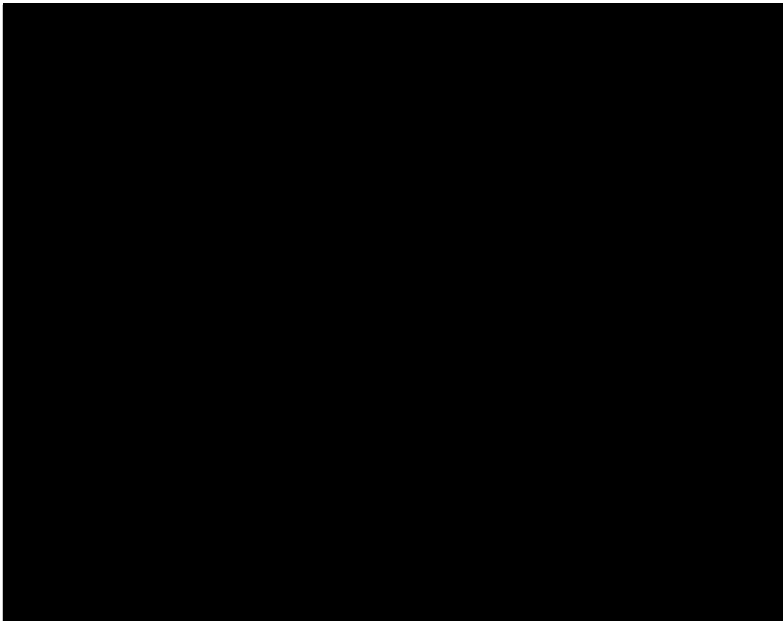
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- 7a. **WORKING GROUP ON GP FUNDHOLDING PILOT SCHEMES. PAPER DsPH 30/95.**

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8. **PRESCRIBING OF BETA-INTERFERON TO SUFFERERS FROM MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. PAPER DsPH 31/95.**

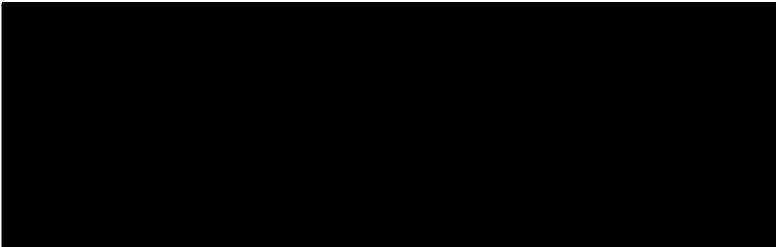
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9. **"CRISIS IN NEUROPHYSIOLOGY" PAPER DsPH 32/95**

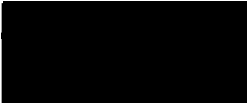


10. **ENSURING THE EFFECTIVE INVOLVEMENT OF PROFESSIONALS IN HEALTH AUTHORITY WORK - NHS EXECUTIVE CIRCULAR. PAPER DsPH 33/95.**



11. **MEDICAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO CREMATION CERTIFICATION. PAPER DsPH 34/95**



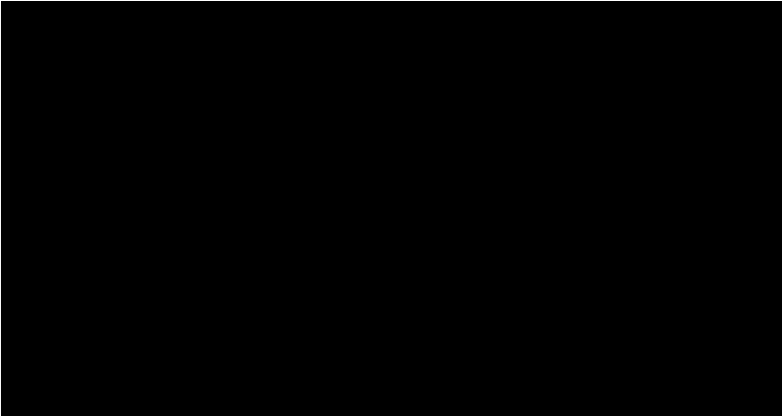


**12. PUBLIC HEALTH LAW IN NORTHERN IRELAND.
PAPER DsPH 35/95.**

Dr Mitchell said CCDCs had endorsed the recommendation that a manual on public health law in Northern Ireland should be commissioned, and had asked her to take the matter forward. She said the most straightforward approach was for someone with a legal background to amend the English version where necessary. It was agreed that the CSA should be asked to produce the manual, in the first instance.

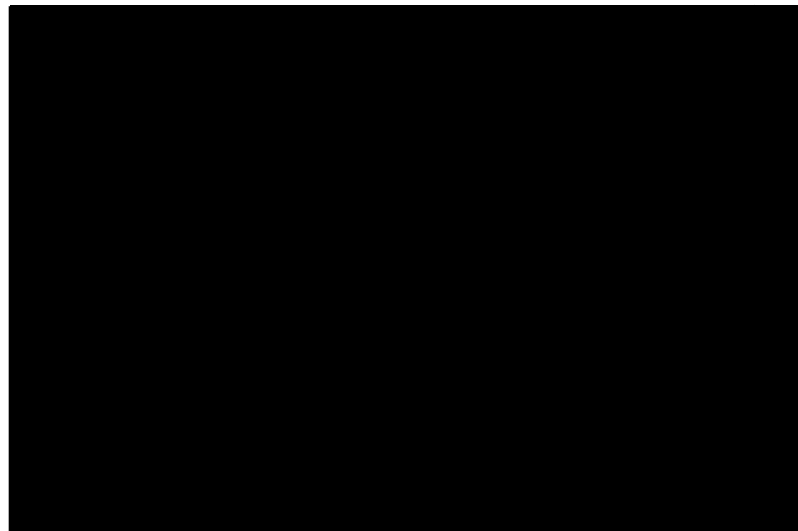
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**13. NORTHERN IRELAND PUBLIC HEALTH
LABORATORY. PAPER DsPH 36/95.**



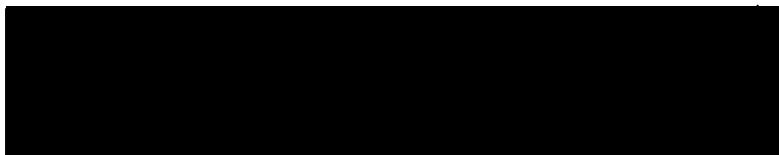
**14. UPDATE ON THE CANCER WORKING GROUP.
PAPER DsPH 37/95.**



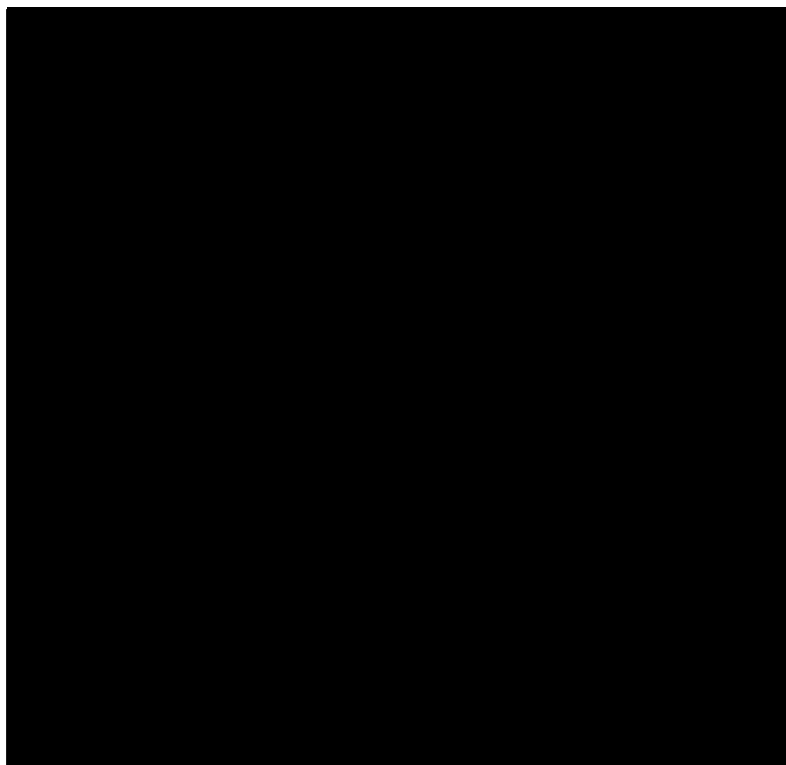


15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

i Small Area Health Statistics Unit (SAHSU)



ii A Northern Ireland Training Centre for MAS



16. **NEXT MEETING**

