**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 (30 Jan - 5 Feb) highlights include:

**BMJ**

*BMJ and BVA appoint new editor for Veterinary Record* - BVA 01/02/2017  
*BVA and BMJ appoint new editor for Veterinary Record* - KnowledgeSpeak 02/02/107  
*Adele Waters named new Vet Record editor* - MRCVS Online 02/02/107

*Virtualizing a Venerable Medical Journal (Sharon Cooper quoted)* – Baseline 02/02/2017

*British Gas, HMRC, Thomas Cook and BMJ finalists in DevOps Excellence Awards 2017* - V3 01/02/2017

*BMJ's Author Hub* - UKSG News 03/02/2017

**The BMJ**

**Letter:** *Senior doctors urge Prime Minister to act on underfunded NHS*

*Now 2000 top doctors warn the PM on NHS funding* - the Daily Mail 31/01/2017  
*Billions needed to rescue unsafe NHS, doctors warn* - The Times & The Times Ireland 31/01/2017  
*Patient safety 'at risk' due to brutal NHS cuts - Theresa May is warned by 2000 doctors* - the Daily Mirror 31/01/2017

**Also covered by** Morning Star Online, OnMedica + extensive local newspaper coverage

**Research:** *Association between continuity of care in general practice and hospital admissions for ambulatory care sensitive conditions: cross sectional study of routinely collected, person level data*

*Continuity of GP care may cut hospital admissions* - The Guardian 02/01/2017  
*Seeing the same GP reduces need to visit a hospital* - The Daily Telegraph 02/01/2017  
*Primary Care Continuity Tied to Fewer Hospital Admissions* - Medscape 01/02/2017

**Also covered by** Sky News, the Daily Express, The Times, Independent i, the Daily Mail, The Sun, the Scottish Sun, the Spectator, AOL UK, GP Online, OnMedica, Medical News Today, MedPage Today, Pulse, Medical Xpress, Pharma Times, National Health Executive +
extensive local newspaper coverage. Also broadcast by Sky News.

Research: Quality of care delivered by general internists in US hospitals who graduated from foreign versus US medical schools: observational study

Medicare Patients Had Slightly Better Survival Rate With Foreign-Educated Doctors, Study Finds - The Wall Street Journal 02/02/2017
US Patient Mortality Lower With Non-US-Trained Physicians - Medscape 02/02/2017
Patients treated by foreign-educated doctors are less likely to die, study finds - STAT 02/02/2017


Blog: A smoke-free NHS

Public Health doctor argues for a smoke-free NHS - OnMedica 02/01/2017
It's time the NHS was smoke-free - Rochdale Online 31/01/2017

Evaluators often disagree about who needs disability benefits - Reuters 02/02/2017

Why tax just Western junk food? - the Daily O 29/01/2017

Surgeon accused of profiting from unnecessary operations on NHS patients - Bureau of Investigative Journalism 29/01/2017

Reports conflict about sodium guidelines - Meat & Poultry 30/01/2017

Perioperative Stroke Risk High in Patients With Migraine - Neurology Advisor 30/01/2017

Migraine Patients Have an Increased Risk of Stroke Following Surgery - Medical News Bulletin 30/01/2017
Link between diabetes drug, increased risk of bladder cancer confirmed - Knowridge Science Report 31/01/2017

Experts look beyond soda tax solutions for obesity crisis - Scienceline 30/01/2017

Officials stay away from BMI in weight-loss journey, offer alternative focus - Uniontown Herald Standard 30/01/2017

Depression, Anxiety Up Mortality Risk for Some Cancers - Psych Central 31/01/2017

By the way ... ONLY doctors can make medical decisions - the Daily Mail 31/01/2017
(mentions The BMJ investigation on private referral schemes)

Eating vegetable oils could lead to fatigue, migraines and dementia - New York Post 31/01/2017
Health test developed in Glasgow is named best in the world - Glasgow Live 31/01/2017
Health test developed in Glasgow 'leads the world' - Scotsman 01/02/2017
League table comparisons drive ten years of increasing patient satisfaction with healthcare - Science Business 31/01/2017

Health Check on BBC World Service 01/02/2017 (mention of The BMJ Christmas article on Arclight)

Does depression boost a cancer risk? - Bangkok Post (Thailand) 31/01/2017

Would you spend £250 to make your earlobes less DROOPY? - Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail 02/01/2017

Survey shows Hungary's healthcare near bottom in Europe - 01/02/2017

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How Big Pharma's Lust for Profit Turns Their Customers Into Guinea Pigs - Alert Net 01/02/2017

Thyroid hormone treatment linked to reduced risk of pregnancy loss in subclinical hypothyroidism - Clinical Advisor 01/02/2017
Some Pregnant Women Should Be Treated for Subclinical Hypothyroidism - EndocrineWeb 03/02/2017
Thyroid Hormone Therapy for Subclinical Hypothyroidism in Pregnancy - Medical News Bulletin 04/02/2017

Study: Red Hot Chili Peppers May Help You Live Longer - Atlanta Black Star 02/02/2017

Putting your body on the line every week comes at a price - Hawick News 02/02/2017

Did you know depression can increase your cancer risk? - Independent Online 03/02/107

NSAIDs don't work for back pain - Australian Journal of Pharmacy 03/02/2017

Tom Brady and vagina eggs - Policy Options 02/02/107

10000 Medicare Patients/Year Die in 7 Days After ER Discharge - Doctors Lounge 03/02/2017

Donald Trump's psyche - PLOS blogs 03/02/2017

Doctor who inspired Trainspotting with work on housing estate says the reality is far cry from blockbuster sequel - Daily Record 05/02/2017

How to limit your salt intake to 5g per day - CTV News 04/02/2017
Nine in 10 carers are giving patients who live at home the wrong drugs because they are not being monitored - Daily Mail 05/02/2017
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Research: Global economic cost of smoking attributable diseases

That costs a packet! Smoking and its related illnesses drain the world economy of a staggering £1.1 TRILLION - Daily Mail 31/01/17
Smoking costs $1.4 trillion in health care, lost labour, study finds - South China Morning Post 31/01/17
Smoking costs $US 1.4 tn in health care, labour loss: study - Daily News & Analysis (India)


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Diabetes Prevalence High in HIV-Infected Adults in US - Medscape 01/02/17
Is HIV a risk factor for diabetes? - Pharmacy Times 02/02/17


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Back pain medications do more harm than good, study finds - Sydney Morning Herald 03/02/17
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Ibuprofen has little benefit in treating back pain and may cause harm – study - The Guardian 02/02/17


No New Safety Signals for JAK Inhibitor in RA After Almost a Decade - Medscape 02/02/17

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'Flash' Glucose Monitoring Benefits Kids With Type 1 Diabetes - Medscape 02/02/17

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Super Bowl 2017: Is a Turf or Grass Field Riskier for Players? - LiveScience 04/02/17

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Study reveals why you need to cut back your winter workouts immediately - Daily Star 03/02/17

Researchers Urge FINA & Feds To Get To The Heart of The Matter On Athlete Health - SwimVortex 03/02/17

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The pig man isn’t  - First Things  03/02/17

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Technology May Improve Memory in Patients with Multiple Sclerosis  - Specialty Pharmacy Times 03/02/17

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Occupational research round-up for February  - Personnel Today 02/02/17

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Researchers link increase in syphilis cases to highly active ART  - Healio 02/02/17

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