**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 (31 July - 6 August) highlights:

- Researchers in **The BMJ** discuss the increase in acid attacks occurring in the UK. The story was covered across the globe, including coverage on ITV Good Morning Britain, BBC News and Huffington Post.
- This week saw continued coverage of two papers in The BMJ: a US study linking e-cigarette use to a rise in smokers quitting in LA Daily News and Canada News - and an analysis of antibiotic use in The Daily Telegraph, The Times and The Mirror
- An analysis in BMJ Global Health warning that taboos surrounding vaginal bleeding is putting women and girls in danger was covered by several UK and international outlets, including Reuters, HuffPost Canada and Hindustan Times
- **BJSM editor, Dr Karim Khan** named Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis

**The BMJ**

**Editorial: Attacks with corrosive substances are increasing in UK**

*Acid attacks now so widespread public need training in helping victims, warn doctors* - The Daily Telegraph 02/08/2017

*Remove contaminated clothes and use ‘copious’ amounts of water: Leading doctors issue key advice for public on how to deal with horrific acid attacks after 400 in just six months* - Daily Mail 02/08/2017

*Rise in acid attacks prompts calls for widespread first aid training* - ITV News 03/08/2017


**Analysis: The antibiotic course has had its day** (continued coverage)

*The truth about antibiotics: do you really need to take the full course?* - The Daily Telegraph 31/7/2017
Stay the course on Antibiotics (no link available) - Independent i 31/7/2017

Ten top tips about taking your tablets after experts say 'you shouldn't take full course of antibiotics' - The Mirror 31/7/2017


Editorial: Restoring balance to “best interests” disputes in children

Should Charlie Gard’s name have been made public? - The Journal (Ireland) 03/08/2017

Avoiding the next Charlie Gard dispute - BioEdge 05/08/2017

Research: E-cigarette use and associated changes in population smoking cessation: evidence from US current population surveys (continued coverage)

More evidence shows vaping helps people quit smoking - LA Daily News 02/08/2017

New Study Finds E-Cigs Help Kick the Habit - Economincs21.org 01/8/2017

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Hundreds of Reading patients denied medical procedures by cash strapped NHS trusts - Get Reading 31/7/2017

Signs of hope in battle over Garelochhead health services - Helensburgh Advertiser 31/7/2017

Research: Association between active commuting and incident cardiovascular disease, cancer, and mortality: prospective cohort study (continued coverage)

Brompton Aim To Get Employees Cycling - Huffington Post 31/7/2017

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Lid eversion, fluorescein can reveal dislocated contact lenses - Healio 01/8/2017

Research: Effect of diet and physical activity based interventions in pregnancy on gestational weight gain and pregnancy outcomes: meta-analysis of individual participant data from randomised trials (continued coverage)

In the USA, the birthrate is healthy but gynecologists are lacking - Welfare Society Territory 01/8/2017
Research: Risk of neonatal drug withdrawal after intrauterine co-exposure to opioids and psychotropic medications: cohort study

More Babies Experiencing Neonatal Drug Withdrawal After Exposure To Opioids and Psychotropic Meds - MedicalResearch.com 04/08/2017
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10 things you need to know about August 2 - Metro 01/8/2017
Legal drugs cause much more harm than cannabis - The Gisborne Herald 02/8/2017
Researchers warn even moderate alcohol consumption can cause brain damage - Washington Times 02/08/2017
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What happened when a doctor cried on social media - MedPageToday 02/08/2017
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Statins are still controversial - Financial Times 03/08/2017
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25 years of befriending in the Chew Valley: "It is such a simple thing, it is just about listening." - Chew Valley Gazette 05/08/2017

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Analysis: Beyond menstrual hygiene: addressing vaginal bleeding throughout the life course in low and middle income countries

Silence on vaginal bleeding cuts women off from society - and puts their lives at risk
International Business Times UK 02/08/17
'We need to break the taboos': Report warns that 'embarrassment and shame' surrounding
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Vaginal bleeding taboo putting lives of women and girls in danger  Hindustan Times
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