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**Subject:** Weekend mortality risk- BMJ paper

Simon,

I hope you are well. I can confirm that we did not see the Freemantle paper, final or draft, prior to publication in September 2014.

Please do keep us informed of any further requests in relation to the matter.

Regards,

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**From:** Bennett Simon (NHS ENGLAND) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 11 January 2016 15:27  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Weekend mortality risk- BMJ paper

Dear [REDACTED]

I hope you are well.

I wonder if you can help us clear up a misunderstanding.

Last year you worked with colleagues in NHS England on modelling the impact of implementing seven day hospital services.

A paper on weekend mortality risk titled 'Increased mortality associated with weekend hospital admission: a case for expanding seven day services?' (Freemantle, Ray, McNulty, Rosser, Bennett, Keogh and Pagano, 2015) was published in September 2015.

Whilst I believe we shared with you high level mortality risk figures from a re-analysis of 2013/14 admissions to help with your modelling, I would be grateful if you could confirm that no one in Deloitte saw the Freemantle paper - final or draft - prior to publication in September.

I would be very grateful if you could reply by close of business on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

Best Wishes

Simon Bennett  
Director – Clinical Policy and Professional Standards  
Medical Directorate  
NHS England

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My PA is [REDACTED]

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