

What is already known on this topic

Blood pressure is usually measured and monitored in the healthcare system by health professionals

With the introduction and validation of new electronic devices, self blood pressure monitoring at home is becoming increasingly popular

No evidence exists as to whether use of home monitoring is associated with better control of high blood pressure

What this study adds

Patients who monitor their blood pressure at home have a lower "clinic" blood pressure than those whose blood pressure is monitored in the healthcare system

A greater proportion of them also achieve blood pressure targets when assessed in the clinic

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Corrections and clarifications

We inadvertently omitted the first author's name in the Dr Foster's Case Notes about social class and elective caesareans, and we also listed the authors in the wrong order (12 June, p 1399). The correct authorship (also amended on bmj.com) is Katherine Barley, Dr Paul Aylin, Dr Alex Bottle, and Professor Brian Jarman.

FDA rejects over the counter status for emergency contraceptive

In this News article by Janice Hopkins Tanne, we stated that levonorgestrel (Levonelle-2) is taken in a split dose—two tablets, 12 hours apart (22 May, p 1219). The manufacturer has informed us that the tablets can now be taken together.

ABC of burns: pathophysiology and types of burns

The first sentence of the section "Electrical injuries" in this article by Shehan Hettiaratchy and Peter Dziewulski (12 June, pp 1427-9) led one reader, a self confessed pedant, to contact us. He rightly objected to the use of the word electrocution (which appeared later too). According to *Chambers 21st Century Dictionary*, "to electrocute" means "to kill someone or something by electric shock." The first sentence should probably more correctly read: "Some 3-4% of burn unit admissions are caused by electrical [not 'electrocution'] injuries." And for any other pedants out there, the phrase "are caused by" might be better replaced with "are the result of."