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## Rise in diabetes could bankrupt NHS

More than a million people in the past 10 years have been diagnosed with diabetes, an increase of 60%

With this increase, the disease is threatening to bankrupt the NHS. Diabetes UK has said that more must be done to highlight the importance of prevention.

They have also said "The costs of treating diabetes will continue to spiral out of control and threaten to bankrupt the NHS. Now is the time for action,"

To read more

<http://www.healthwatchealing.co.uk/news/huge-rise-uk-diabetes-cases-threatens-bankrupt-nhs-charity-warns-guardian>

## Lloyds pharmacies in hospitals

As part of Lloyds expansion plans, they are looking at taking control of pharmacies in hospitals.

It's understood that Lloyds will be talking to health chiefs about taking over NHS pharmacies.

February this year, Lloyds partnered with an accident and emergency department for the first time to see if the service could help to ease the pressure on the NHS.

The £1m trial, funded by Lloyds, saw it start a pharmacy-led clinic to provide treatment for common ailments such as minor burns, scalds and earache.

To read more

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/retailandconsumer/11892703/Lloyds-targets-pharmacies-in-NHS-hospitals.html>

## Latest Apple health app

Apple iPhones and watches may soon be able to identify when someone's having an epileptic seizure, allowing them to call for help.

Researchers at Johns Hopkins University have developed an app that can track and measure seizure symptoms.

Sensors on the phone or watch app will measure heart rate, movement and other data as the seizure progresses.

To read more

[http://www.thespec.com/news-story/5962767-latest-apple-health-app-warns-patients-of-imminent-seizure/?utm\\_source=Communicator&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_content=Untitled5&utm\\_campaign=ABHI+News+Review+16+October+2015+%7c+Stevens+calls+for+end+of+foundation+trust+pipeline+%7c+End+of+year+objective+set+to+finalize+EU+Regulatory+Trilogue](http://www.thespec.com/news-story/5962767-latest-apple-health-app-warns-patients-of-imminent-seizure/?utm_source=Communicator&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=Untitled5&utm_campaign=ABHI+News+Review+16+October+2015+%7c+Stevens+calls+for+end+of+foundation+trust+pipeline+%7c+End+of+year+objective+set+to+finalize+EU+Regulatory+Trilogue)

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<b>Forthcoming Events</b>			
<b>Organizer</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Link or Email</b>
NRS (NHS Research Scotland) Conference	28th October 2015	Glasgow	<a href="http://www.nrsconference.org.uk/">http://www.nrsconference.org.uk/</a>
Conference on next steps for cancer care: access, integration and policy priorities - with NHS England and NICE	28th October 2015	Central London	<a href="http://www.westminsterbusinessforum.co.uk">www.westminsterbusinessforum.co.uk</a>
Annual UK Market Conference, Addressing the Challenges of NHS Efficiency	Tuesday 03 November 2015	London	<a href="mailto:jane.sessenwein@abhi.org.uk">jane.sessenwein (at) abhi.org.uk</a>
2015 GPhA Fall Technical Conference	2-4 November 2015	North Bethesda, Maryland, US	<a href="http://www.gphaonline.org/events">www.gphaonline.org/events</a>
EMIG AGM	9th November 2015	London	<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers@emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (at) emig.org.uk</a>
EMIG Parliamentary Dinner	9th November 2015	Westminster	<a href="http://www.emig.org.uk">www.emig.org.uk</a>
World Biosimilar Congress Europe 2015	9-10 November 2015	Switzerland	<a href="mailto:issa.mauthoor@terrapinn.com">issa.mauthoor (at) terrapinn.com</a>
How can pressures on the NHS be relieved?	11th November 2015	The Mermaid Theatre, London	Chris Sheridan - Digital Sales manager - Tel: +44 (0) 161 713 3886
CPD Diabetes Conference & Exhibition	11th & 12th November 2015	<a href="#">Barbican Exhibition</a>	<a href="http://www.diabetesprofessionalcare.com">www.diabetesprofessionalcare.com</a>
PDIG Autumn Symposium	12th November 2015	Birmingham	Jo Blumson, PDIG Co-ordinator, 07949025541
Consilium/Covington Annual Healthcare Conference	Tuesday 17th November 2015	London	<a href="mailto:admincsc@consilium-comms.com">admincsc (at) consilium-comms.com</a>
MHRA/EMIG bilateral	18th November 2015	London	<a href="http://www.emig.org.uk">www.emig.org.uk</a>
EMIG Scotland Meeting	19th November 2015	Scotland	<a href="mailto:sally@ryboquin.co.uk">sally (at) ryboquin.co.uk</a>
EMIG Specialised Commissioning Conference	24th November 2015	London	<a href="http://www.emig.org.uk">www.emig.org.uk</a>
Public Consultation on GMP standards regarding investigational medicinal products/Invitation to EMA Roundtable	27th November 2015	London	<a href="mailto:terlez@eucope.org">terlez (at) eucope.org</a>
Roboleo & Co – Health Economics for the Non Health Economist	1st December 2015	London	<a href="mailto:acollins@ngaevents.co.uk">acollins (at) ngaevents.co.uk</a>
MRC Clinical Trials in Small Populations Workshop	1st December 2015	London	<a href="http://www.psiweb.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/small_populations_workshop-flyer.pdf?sfvrsn=0">statisticians http://www.psiweb.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/small_populations_workshop-flyer.pdf?sfvrsn=0</a>
EMIG Wales Meeting	8th December 2015	Wales	<a href="http://www.emig.org.uk">www.emig.org.uk</a>
Bridging the Gap between eProcurement and UDI Legislation	Tuesday 08 December 2015	London	<a href="mailto:jane.sessenwein@abhi.org.uk">jane.sessenwein (at) abhi.org.uk</a>
EMIG BD Group Meeting	10th December 2015	Venue to be confirmed	<a href="http://www.emig.org.uk">www.emig.org.uk</a>
Conference on next steps for NICE, pharmaceutical industry priorities, and the Accelerated Access Review - Westminster Health Forum	Thursday, 14th January 2016	Central London	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/index.php?fid=westminster_health_forum">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/index.php?fid=westminster_health_forum</a>
9th EGA Pharmacovigilance Conference	27th January 2016	London	<a href="http://www.egaevents.org">www.egaevents.org</a>
15th EGA Regulatory and Scientific Affairs Conference	28-29 January 2016	London	<a href="http://www.egaevents.org">www.egaevents.org</a>
British Paediatric Surveillance Unit (BPSU) Conference	23rd February 2016	University of Birmingham	<a href="http://www.rcpch.ac.uk/bpsu/rdc16">www.rcpch.ac.uk/bpsu/rdc16</a>
Policy conference on next steps for health and social care in Greater Manchester	Friday, 26th February 2016	Manchester	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book_event.php?eid=1109">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book_event.php?eid=1109</a>
<b>PLG events</b>			
PLG Introduction to Healthcare Business Development Training Course	16th-18th November 2015	Marriott Lingfield Park	<a href="http://www.plg-group.com">www.plg-group.com</a>
Free Workshop & Christmas Drinks Reception	3rd December 2015	London	<a href="http://www.plg-group.com">www.plg-group.com</a>
<b>The Medical and Scientific group meetings for 2015</b>			
Health Economics for the non-Health Economist – an all-day practical workshop with MAP Biopharma and Roboleo	17th November 2015	London	<a href="http://www.emig.org">www.emig.org</a>

### Northern Ireland linked with San Francisco, for live operations

Northern Ireland is at the centre of cutting-edge pioneering heart interventions that are leading the way across the world.

Three live operations from Belfast City Hospital were, this week, beamed to the largest cardiovascular interventional conference in San Francisco.

About 450 health professionals from around the world watched cardiologists perform procedures on three women that had serious heart complications.

Northern Ireland realised that they was going to experience a massive cardiovascular problem and set to work looking at alternative ways to perform non-invasive heart surgery.

Speaking to the BBC just minutes before the live link-up with America, Dr Colm Hanratty, an interventional cardiologist, said it was a proud moment for the team.

"We are sharing our skills, very specialist techniques that don't involve open heart operations but, instead, intervention through the arm or leg, giving little access to the heart," he said.

"Until recently this wasn't available. People had to go on living with their debilitating conditions or some may have died."

To read more

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-34546206?](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-34546206?utm_source=Communicator&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=Untitled9&utm_campaign=ABHI+News+Review+16+October+2015+%)

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### The blood moon—taken by Susan Albrighton from Lexon



### Price Watch .....UK - Double-digit increase in atorvastatin prices

Double-digit price changes were rare amongst recently-launched generics last month, although there was a notable rise in the average price of 28-tablet packs of atorvastatin 20mg. The 12% increase to £0.80 (US\$1.22) came despite one supplier dropping the lowest available trade price by 9% to £0.43 (see Figure 1).

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The charity is founded upon on three principal objectives:

- Advancing education
- Preserving health
- Relieving poverty, distress and sickness
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For more information about our work and for donations, please visit: [www.betacharitabletrust.org](http://www.betacharitabletrust.org)

## New blood test to rule out heart attack

A study has found that a high sensitivity blood test in A&E departments across the country could rule out heart attack in two thirds of people presenting them with chest pain.

6000 patients were involved in the study; the blood test will determine the maximum level of troponin (a protein released during a heart attack).

Current methods of testing if a patient is having a heart attack, involve testing the levels of troponin when first admitted and then again 12 hours later.

The new test would only have to be done once.

### WaveData – Top ten searched products where the focus was to September 2015

According to WaveData, these were the most commonly investigated products in searches of the online pricing data Wavedata Live at <http://www.wavedata.net>

Both uk and pi prices were viewed for each product, giving some indication of where the focus was to September 2015

WaveData prices in the top 10 article are averages.

Product	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15
Duloxetine E/C Caps 30mg 28	£18.28	£17.26	£15.46
Pregabalin Caps 75mg 56	£54.24	£46.76	£40.75
Aripiprazole Tabs 10mg 28	£41.56	£32.54	£21.81
Clopidogrel Tabs 75mg 28	£1.29	£1.22	£1.23
Aripiprazole Tabs 5mg 28	£41.56	£34.75	£22.47
Duloxetine E/C Caps 60mg 28	£22.40	£20.47	£17.91
Pregabalin Caps 25mg 56	£52.44	£42.36	£34.93
Pregabalin Caps 100mg 84	£81.53	£72.12	£62.17
Pregabalin Caps 150mg 56	£54.38	£47.94	£42.54
Brilique Tabs 90mg 56	£51.87	£50.04	£50.73

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