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Dear *Paul*

NHS REVIEW: PUBLICATION OF THE WORKING PAPERS

I am writing to let you know that arrangements have now been made for the publication of the eight working papers setting out how the main proposals in the NHS Review White Paper will be implemented. The papers are:

- Working Paper 1 - Self-Governing Hospitals
- Working Paper 2 - Funding and Contracts for Hospital Services
- Working Paper 3 - Practice Budgets for General Medical Practitioners
- Working Paper 4 - Indicative Prescribing Budgets for General Medical Practitioners
- Working Paper 5 - Capital Charges
- Working Paper 6 - Medical Audit
- Working Paper 7 - NHS Consultants: Appointments, Contracts and Distinction Awards
- Working Paper 8 - Implications for Family Practitioner Committees

The papers will be issued on Monday 20 February and the Secretary of State will hold a press conference at 11.30am on that day. Five sets of the papers are being sent to Regional, District and Family Practitioner Chairmen in England; copies of papers 2, 3 and 4 are being sent to every General Medical Practitioners in England. Arrangements have been made for copies of the papers to be placed in the Vote Office and the Printed Paper Office before the press announcement. Members of the Ministerial Group will receive a personal set of the papers on Monday.

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I am sending a copy of this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Chancellor of the Exchequer; to the Secretaries of State for Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland; to the Lord President; to the Lord Privy Seal; to the Chief Secretary; to the Minister of State and Sir Roy Griffiths in this Department; and to Mr Whitehead at the No 10 Policy Unit and Mr Wilson at the Cabinet Office.

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