

# The Medical Screening Society

## Launch of a new society

For a number of years there has been a need to bring together the disparate groups involved in medical screening. To this end, we have now formed the Medical Screening Society. The Society will provide a forum for people interested in screening to discuss their ideas and problems, to debate controversial topics in a friendly and

constructive way, and to share their experiences. The *Journal of Medical Screening* will be the journal of the Society.

The Society will:

- Set up working groups to look at problems and controversies in medical screening

- Produce scientific reports that would be published in the *Journal of Medical Screening*
- Hold periodic scientific meetings on screening
- Have a page in each issue of the *Journal of Medical Screening*.

The Society will be officially launched at a conference planned for London in October 2002.

I invite all those interested in joining the society to contact Janette Mackie at the *Journal of Medical Screening* (j.a.mackie@qmul.ac.uk, or fax: 44 (0)207 882 6270)

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### Screening briefs published in JMS

2001;8:220	Screening for ischaemic heart disease by serum homocysteine measurement
2001;8:165	Screening infants for congenital deafness
2001;8:110	Congenital rubella syndrome: antenatal screening to identify women for postpartum vaccination
2001;8:51	Neonatal screening for cystic fibrosis
2000;7:212	Screening for congenital hypothyroidism
2000;7:166	Antenatal screening for sickle cell disease
2000;7:120	Radiographic screening for stomach cancer
2000;7:55	Screening to prevent pelvic inflammatory disease from <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> genital infection
1999;6:217	Antenatal and neonatal screening for congenital toxoplasmosis infection
1999;6:165	<i>Helicobacter pylori</i> testing in screening for the prevention of stomach cancer
1999;6:113	Phenylketonuria
1998;5:215	Antenatal screening for $\beta$ thalassaemia (and its variants)
1998;5:167	Antenatal screening for neural tube defects
1998;5:111	Atrial fibrillation and screening for the prevention of stroke
1998;5:54	Hepatoma and chronic liver disease from maternally transmitted hepatitis B infection
1997;4:248	Hereditary haemochromatosis
1997;4:177	AIDS from maternally transmitted HIV infection
1997;4:112	Ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm
1997;4:54	Colorectal cancer
1996;3:216	Malignant melanoma
1996;3:164	Prostate cancer
1996;3:110	Lung cancer
1995;3:55	Cystic fibrosis
1995;2:232	Haemolytic disease of the newborn
1995;2:126	Diabetic retinopathy
1995;2:117	Congenital dislocation of the hip
1995;2:56	Antenatal screening for Down's syndrome
1994;1:255	Cervical cancer
1994;1:203	Bone density screening for hip fracture
1994;1:135	Ovarian cancer
1994;1:73	Breast cancer