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Literary Review

December 2013

Title	Publication	Date	Overview
Bowel cancer patients should receive liver referral	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, page 7	December/January	Article highlighting new findings, which assessed 600 bowel cancer patients, whose bowel cancer had spread to the liver. They found that only a fifth of patients were referred to liver specialists when 75% were deemed fit for surgery.
Can nurses help improve bowel cancer survival rates?	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, pages 10-11	December/January	TV presenter Lynn Faulds Woods describes her experience with bowel cancer, her campaign work and suggests some useful resources that nurses can both refer to and suggest for patients.
Online bowel cancer symptom checker to help determine need for GP visit	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, pages 12-18	December/January	Article describing the development of the first online, professionally endorsed bowel symptom checker for the public.
Complicated skin problems in stoma patients: a case study	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, pages 19-25	December/January	Article highlighting peristomal skin issues and the significant problems this can cause for stoma patients. The article outlines the specific skin problems faced by one stoma patient and the management strategies used.
The revised inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) standards and the IBD nurse role	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, pages 28-34	December/January	Article highlighting the differences between the original and revised IBD service standards, the role of the new standards in improving care and what this means for IBD nurses.

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Verifying patient information in the colorectal family history clinic	Gastrointestinal Nursing, Vol 11, No.10, pages 37-42	December/January	Study results which assess the national colorectal family history screening guidelines, which enables a patient's cancer risk to be categorised on the basis of familial cancer, type of cancer, age and genetic proximity.
Managing high output stomas: module 3 of 3	British Journal of Nursing, Vol 22, No. 22, pages 1280-1285	12 December	Article discussing the management of high output stomas, with module 3 focussing on patients who may need surgery and intestinal transplantation due to their condition.
Physical activity and risk of inflammatory bowel disease: prospective study from the Nurses' Health Study Cohorts	BMJ, Vol 347, No. 7936, page 12	7 December	Summary of paper which looked at the link between physical activity and the risk of ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease. The study found that increased physical activity is associated with a lower risk of Crohn's disease but not ulcerative colitis.

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