

The Index will be based at Bournemouth University and will be maintained by a team of information specialists at the University, the RCN and the local Hospital Trusts. It will be available from 1 January 1997.

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## JOURNALS NEWS

*Child Health* and the RCM *Current Awareness Service* have ceased publication. The RCM are considering the provision of such information in electronic form.

*European Nurse* was launched in April and is published quarterly. It covers nursing throughout Europe and contains original research and country reports and conference reports. It is available from Edward Arnold, 338 Euston Road, London NW1 3BH. The annual subscription is £70 p.a. for libraries.

*Health Matters* was launched in 1996 and is published quarterly. It covers health policy issues and health politics and the future of the NHS and health issues abroad.

*Breakthrough* began publication in spring 1996. It is published quarterly by the British Association of Social Workers and Anglia Polytechnic University. It covers the area of mental illness in the community, the move of patients from institutions into the community and evaluation of mental health services. It is available from Christine Sedgwick, BASW Trading, 16 Kent Street, Birmingham B5 6RD. The annual subscription is £45 p.a. for libraries. The 1(1) pilot issue had 6 papers on various mental health issues. These included self-help mental program in the USA and poverty and mental health services in the UK. Overall, the papers are readable but seem short on results and tend to be anecdotal and general discussion and thus lacking in scientific rigor. However there is a shortage of publications on mental health so this one is most welcome.

*Health*: an interdisciplinary journal for the social study of health, illness and medicine is to be launched in 1997 by Sage Publications, 6 Bonhill Street, London EC2A 4PU. The institutional rate will be £150 for the first 2 years and 6 issues are promised.