

**Happy New Year**

The PICANet team would like to wish you the very best for the New Year and thank you for all your hard work during 2004.

**New Software Update**

Units will be receiving the new version of the PICANet software in early 2005. New manuals and updated data collection forms will also be distributed.

**Information Requests**

If you have any research that you feel PICANet may be able to help with, please contact us for the appropriate forms. A variety of information requests have already been received and will be listed in the National Report.

**Reminder of dates for the next PICANet National Report**

Early 2005 promises to be a busy time preparing the next PICANet National Report.

Below is a reminder of the deadlines, which need to be met, in order to ensure data from your unit is included.

All data for admissions during 2003 and 2004 should be submitted by :

**MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2005**

Validation reports will be sent out by:

**TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2005**

Validated data should be submitted by :

**FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005**

Most importantly no data will be accepted if submitted after **MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005**.

Many thanks for your cooperation with these deadlines.

**Contacts Booklet**

The latest edition of the PICANet Contacts Booklet will be available shortly. It contains all contact details for lead clinicians and data collection staff involved in PICANet. Copies will be sent out early in the New Year.

**New Unit**

Edinburgh Royal Hospital for Sick Children is the latest unit to start contributing data to PICANet. They joined the study in November and will be sending representatives to the Steering Group and Clinical Advisory Group.

**Doc Dat**

The recent approval of PICANet by Doc Dat (a directory of clinical databases) is a reflection of the high quality of data you are collecting.

Details can be found at [www.lshtm.ac.uk/docdat](http://www.lshtm.ac.uk/docdat).

**Clinical Advisory Group and Steering Group**

The dates for the next meetings are:

Clinical Advisory Group: 3 February in Sheffield

Steering Group: 28 April in Sheffield

If you would like anything to be raised at either of these forums, please contact one of the representatives or a PICANet team member.

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