

is cared for, using a performance review which ensures that those at risk are not missed.

I believe it is a prospect with which William Pickles would be pleased. Soon after the National Health Service was introduced he wrote 'I am sad that so little has been said about group practice in the new health service. In the opinion of many, there was fresh hope for the efficiency of general practice in the suggestion that doctors should work, not as detached individuals, but in a group.' Our teams would be very recognizable to him as we consult, record and evaluate.

In my practice at Chipping Norton I care for children at a National Childrens Home's school for handicapped children. One of its past pupils, John Buchanan, became a famous illuminator of manuscripts. He illuminated a quotation by Henry Thoreau 'If you have built your castles in the air your labour need not be lost: that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.' I think Will Pickles would enjoy that quotation too.

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## CORRIGENDUM

In a letter in the May issue 'Malaria and its prevention in British residents visiting west Africa' the anti-malarial drug Fansidar (Roche) is given as pyrimethamine; this should have been pyrimethamine and sulfadoxine.



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