Our bi-annual newsletter includes the following topics in its collection of articles:

- Critical Futures updates
- Social media and the ICU
- Understanding the ageing population
- Remote working
- The curriculum review

This new series from our Legal & Ethical Policy Unit aims to cover thorny legal issues in a one-page summary you can access whenever and wherever an issue may arise.

This first release covers what you may need to know if the police request access to patients on your unit.

This Midnight Law covers what you may need to know following a disagreement with a patient’s family or friends over Best Interests. Applicable to English and Welsh law.
Midnight Law: Disagreements regarding the treatment of patients who lack capacity (Scotland)

This Midnight covers a disagreement with a patient’s family or friends regarding treatment. This is applicable to Scottish Law.

Care at the End of Life: A guide to best practice, discussion and decision-making in and around critical care

The outcome of a working party led by the Faculty, this guidance covers best practice, provision of care, decision-making and Advanced Care Planning among other key areas.

The guidance is endorsed by ICUsteps, the Royal College of Anaesthetists, the Royal College of Emergency Medicine, the Royal College of Physicians and the UK Critical Care Nursing Alliance.

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A summary version of the above guidance for those who may wish to have a briefer understanding of the guidance or are revisiting the guidance for the key recommendations and pathways.
A repository of ideas and information to support Foundation doctors working in or gaining exposure to critical care. In addition, it can provide information for making a business case or application for new posts to managers, Heads of School or Directors of Medical Education.

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Summary for patients, relatives & the public

A summary version of the Care at the End of Life guidance for patients, relatives and the public.

The summary version is endorsed by ICUsteps and Compassion in Dying and was contributed to by Dying Matters.

Critical Foundation: A framework for foundation doctors to gain exposure to critical care

Guidance for Training Units in Intensive Care Medicine (updated)

A full review and update was undertaken by our Training, Assessment & Quality Committee (TAQ) of this guidance, which covers the requirements for units to provide ICM training.
The Autumn edition of our trainee newsletter, which included articles on:

- Simulation and echocardiography
- National Audit and Research Cooperative of Trainees in Intensive Care
- Understanding the Trainee Representative role
- Study budgets guidance

Midnight Law: Relatives Recording Conversations

This Midnight Law covers what you may need to know in the following situation:

A patient is sedated and ventilated and her husband has asked for an update. On sitting down with the husband, he asks if he can record the update on his mobile phone for the benefit of updating her parents who aren’t present.
The annual summary of the work of your Faculty, including our 10 strategic aims, information on what has been achieved in the past year and what is planned for the year ahead. Plus a request from our new Dean to send us your ideas.

Convened by Public Health England, this guidance provides advice and recommendations for healthcare professionals who provide critical care to adults with seasonal influenza. Areas covered include sampling and laboratory diagnosis, antiviral therapy, bacterial complications, and infection prevention and control measures.

Developed with the Intensive Care Society, this guidance aims to help Critical Care Units undertake this key intervention safely, standardise the approach to managing a cardiac arrest in the prone position and reduce complications associated with the prone positioning of mechanically ventilated patients.