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Back to the white paper this week. It's no surprise after the message from the special conference (p 1258) that GPs are less than enthusiastic about its proposals, but it's good to have the impression confirmed by a rigorous survey in Avon (p 1224) with a 92% response rate—opposing the ideas for fixed budgets and increasing the proportion of income from capitation fees. And a special meeting of the hospital junior staff conference resolved that doctors should not

implement the proposals until the outcome of negotiations was satisfactory (p 1254). Elsewhere there's a review of the 21 years of legal abortion, calling for further reform to allow it on request in the first trimester (p 1231), and in "How to apply for charitable status" a lovely tribute to the late Vicky Clement-Jones, who founded BACUP in 1984 when she was convalescing from advanced ovarian cancer (p 1239).