

**InvestorService: British healthcare reform
14. august 2007****British health care reform: New consultation process
expected in September 2007**

The British Department of Health has announced that the current review of the arrangements under Part IX of the Drug Tariff for the provision of stoma and incontinence appliances and related services to Primary Care is expected to lead to a new consultation process in September 2007.

The last round of consultations closed on 2 April 2007 and due to the high level of responses, the Department of Health decided to review the original proposal. This work is nearly completed and the Department of Health has informed that they intend to initiate a new consultation with a revised proposal in early September 2007.

A consultation process lasts 6 weeks – 3 months and Coloplast therefore does not expect any changes before 2008, which is in line with our latest update on the British health care reform in stock exchange no. 8/2007, 23 May 2007.

When we receive further substantial information from the British authorities, we will make an announcement.

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