

## **EPSU publishes a new report on European healthcare services, multinational companies and a European healthcare market**

(15 September 2010) The new report details how European legislation and multinational companies shape a European health care market. The major issues addressed are:

- The draft Directive on Cross border healthcare presents a threat to patients rights and the future of solidarity and universality within national healthcare systems
- Global services companies have adopted expansion strategies outside Europe, since 2007
- Healthcare companies have consolidated but maintained their influence within public healthcare systems
- High technology companies are expanding across Europe and entering public healthcare systems with a range of different strategies
- A cross-European healthcare market is taking shape

The report lists the different multinational companies and where they are active. It was prepared by Jane Lethbridge of Public Services International Research Unit of the University of Greenwich ([www.psir.org](http://www.psir.org))

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