

News in brief

Limerick report on cot deaths

The final report of a UK expert group set up by the government to investigate a suggested link between cot deaths and the emission of toxic gases from fungal growth on cot mattresses was published on May 21. The group concludes that there is „no evidence that antimony or phosphorous-containing compounds used in fire retardants in PVC and other cot mattress materials are a cause of Sudden infant Death Syndrome". The report's executive summary and abstracts are available on the Internet