The purpose of TAGMail is to assist TAG members identify and share relevant information for their professional practice. Members are encouraged to routinely forward TAGMail to others who they believe would benefit from this information such as colleagues in the same hospital department if they are not already receiving TAGMail. NSW TAG may be contacted via email nswtag@stvincents.com.au or by calling 02 8382 2852.

TAG ACTIVITIES
** Email Discussions:
- Use of community-administered medicines in Medicine Access Programs. Closes 16th August 2017
- DTC approval of TYRX™. Closes 16th August 2017

CONSULTATIONS
**TGA
- Consultation: Nomenclature of Biological Medicines. Closes 8 September 2017

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – AUSTRALIA
**ACSQHC
- An economic evaluation of investigator-led clinical trials conducted by networks
- Improving your organisation’s health literacy environment

**AIHW
- Radiotherapy in Australia 2015-16

**CEC
- Driver Diagram Webinars: An Introduction to Improvement Science (New resources added)

**NPS MedicineWise
- The ASPRINH Project’s Prescribing Assessment Toolkit
  The ASPRINH Project has delivered an evidence-based guide for the assessment of student ability to prescribe medicines. The Prescribing Assessment Toolkit (the Toolkit) describes accepted principles of assessment applicable to clinical practice, the essential prescribing skills that require clear assessment as evidence of prescribing ability, and recommended assessment methods applicable to the demonstration of prescribing ability. The content of the Toolkit is applicable to multiple prescribing professions.
  https://www.nps.org.au/__scrivito/the-asprinh-project-s-prescribing-assessment-toolkit-04e28a5e06bf490
**NSW Health**  
- Chief Health Officer's Report 2017  

**TGA**  
- Labelling changes: Information for health professionals (What you need to know about the changes and downloadable posters)  

**Government of Western Australia, Department of Health**  
- Review of Safety and Quality in the WA health system: A strategy for continuous improvement  

**REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL**

**AHRQ Patient Safety Network**  
- Non–health care facility medication errors resulting in serious medical outcomes.  

**EMA**  
- EPAR added: Cenejermin (Oxervate™) for the treatment of neurotrophic keratitis  
- EU report: more evidence on link between antibiotic use and antibiotic resistance  

**Healthy Canadians**  
- Health Product InfoWatch, July 2017: Bisphosphonates, oral and injectable; Evotaz (atazanavir and cobicistat) and Reyataz (atazanavir).  

**NHS England**  
- Items which should not routinely be prescribed in primary care: A Consultation on guidance for CCGs  
https://www.england.nhs.uk/2017/07/medicine-consultation/

**NIHR**  
- Tenofovir reduces mother-to-child hepatitis B transmission  
https://discover.dc.nihr.ac.uk/portal/article/4000729/tenofovir-reduces-mother-to-child-hepatitis-b-transmission  
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder  
http://www.dc.nihr.ac.uk/highlights/ocd/

**NICE**  
- Adalimumab and dexamethasone for treating non-infectious uveitis  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/TA460  
- Collagenase clostridium histolyticum for treating Dupuytren's contracture  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta459  
- Nivolumab for treating relapsed or refractory classical Hodgkin lymphoma  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta462  
- Roflumilast for treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/TA461  
- Low back pain and sciatica in over 16s  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/qs155  
- Chronic kidney disease in adults  
https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ke245
**SIGN**
- Cardiac rehabilitation: A national clinical guideline
  [http://www.sign.ac.uk/assets/sign150.pdf](http://www.sign.ac.uk/assets/sign150.pdf)
- Risk estimation and the prevention of cardiovascular disease: A national clinical guideline
  [http://www.sign.ac.uk/assets/sign149.pdf](http://www.sign.ac.uk/assets/sign149.pdf)

**Specialist Pharmacy Service**
- How should antibiotics be dosed in obesity?
  [https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/how-should-antibiotics-be-dosed-in-obesity/](https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/how-should-antibiotics-be-dosed-in-obesity/)

**UK Health Foundation**
- New approaches to value in health and care

**Advancing Quality Alliance, UK Improvement Alliance, Health Improvement Scotland and the Improvement Academy**
- Measuring and monitoring of safety framework e-guide: better questions, safer care

**WHO**
- Global Hepatitis Report, 2017
  [http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255016/1/9789241565455-eng.pdf?ua=1](http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255016/1/9789241565455-eng.pdf?ua=1)

**SABS**
- HYDROMorphone (high-risk medicine): Changes to Dilaudid injectable preparations

**ISMP**

**TGA**
- Safety advisory: Bittermelon Slimming Capsules contain undeclared sibutramine
- Safety advisory: Gadolinium-based contrast agents for MRI scan – Potential for retention in the brain but no known adverse effects

**AHPRA**
- The Pharmacy Board of Australia has published revised guidance, ‘Compounding of sterile injectable medicines’ to replace the currently postponed section ‘Expiry of compounded parenteral medicines’ of its ‘Guidelines on compounding of medicines’. The revised guidance will take effect on 1 February 2018:
- FAQ for pharmacists on the compounding of medicines have also been updated:

**ACSQHC**
- The ACSQHC launched the First Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation in November 2015. The Commission is currently inviting researchers, clinicians and other stakeholders to share
feedback about the impact of the Atlas by completing a short survey.
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ausatlasofhealthcarevariation

**PAPERS OF INTEREST**
**Annals of Internal Medicine**
- Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis Infection: An Updated Network Meta-analysis
  http://annals.org/aim/article/2646630/treatment-latent-tuberculosis-infection-updated-network-meta-analysis
- Prescription Opioid Use, Misuse, and Use Disorders in U.S. Adults: 2015 National Survey on Drug Use and Health

**Australian Prescriber**
- Chronic heart failure
- Lipid lowering in renal disease
- Encouraging adherence to long-term medication

**BMJ**
- Pharmaceutical companies’ policies on access to trial data, results, and methods: audit study
  http://www.bmj.com/content/358/bmj.j3334

**BMJ Quality and Safety**
- Outpatient CPOE orders discontinued due to ‘erroneous entry’: prospective survey of prescribers’ explanations for errors
  http://qualitysafety.bmj.com/content/early/2017/07/28/bmjqs-2017-006597

**Cochrane Library**
- Haloperidol for psychosis-induced aggression or agitation (rapid tranquillisation)
- Immunotherapy for diabetic amyotrophy
- Oral versus intravenous fluoropyrimidines for colorectal cancer
- Pharmacological interventions for preventing dry mouth and salivary gland dysfunction following radiotherapy
- Procarbazine, lomustine and vincristine for recurrent high-grade glioma

**European Heart Journal**
- Bromocriptine for the treatment of peripartum cardiomyopathy: a multicentre randomized study

**EJHP**
- Pharmacist-initiated deprescribing in hospitalised elderly: prevalence and acceptance by physicians
  http://ejhp.bmj.com/content/early/2017/07/28/ejhp-2017-001251

**Health Services and Delivery Research**
- Decommissioning health care: identifying best practice through primary and secondary research a prospective mixed-methods study
**Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology**  
- A Role for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Clinical Sepsis Pathways: a Prospective Interventional Study  

**Internal Medicine Journal**  
- Documentation of Penicillin Adverse Drug Reactions in Electronic Health Records: Inconsistent Use of Allergy and Intolerance Labels  

**JAMA**  
- Effect of Oral Methylprednisolone on Clinical Outcomes in Patients with IgA Nephropathy: The TESTING Randomized Clinical Trial  
http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/article-abstract/2646717

**JAMA Psychiatry**  
- Association of Risk of Suicide Attempts with Methylphenidate Treatment  
http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapsychiatry/article-abstract/2645499

**JAMIA**  
- Efficiency and safety of speech recognition for documentation in the electronic health record  
https://academic.oup.com/jamia/article/4049461

**MJA**  
- The Australian Snakebite Project, 2005–2015 (ASP-20)  

**Public Health Research and Practice**  
- Clinical consultations and investigations before and after discontinuation of endocrine therapy in women with primary breast cancer  

**The Lancet**  
- Bevacizumab for advanced cervical cancer: final overall survival and adverse event analysis of a randomised, controlled, open-label, phase 3 trial (Gynecologic Oncology Group 240)  
http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(17)31607-0/fulltext

**The Lancet Psychiatry**  
- Side-effects associated with ketamine use in depression: a systematic review  
http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpsy/article/PIIS2215-0366(17)30272-9/fulltext

UPCOMING EVENTS (new additions in bold)  
**Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society (ANZICS) Safety and Quality Conference: The Deteriorating Patient**  
7-8th August, Sofitel Sydney Wentworth  
http://www.sgao-anzics.com/

**The University of Sydney – Sydney Ideas**  
Data Science - the Future of Better Health?  
15th August, The Westmead Institute for Medical Research, Westmead  

**Westmead Association Hospital Week: Medication Safety Symposium**
16th August 2017, Westmead education and Conference Centre, Westmead Hospital
Contact: Georgette Hanna: georgette.hanna@sydney.edu.au

**ACI Mental Health Innovation Showcase**
17 August 2017, Kirribilli Club, 11 Harbourview Crescent, Lavender Bay NSW

**Clinical Excellence Commission**
- Second NSW Antimicrobial Stewardship Forum
  18th August 9am-4.30pm, Sydney CBD
- Mental Health and Falls Workshop
  24th August, 9am- 4pm, Barker St Randwick, NSW

**Healthcare Leaders Forum, Swissotel, Sydney, 22 & 23 August 2017**

24-26 August 2017, Kuala Lumpur
http://internationalforum.bmj.com/kualalumpur/

**6th World Congress of Clinical Safety 2017**, 6-8th September 2017, Roma, Italy
http://www.iarmm.org/6WCCS/

**ISQua's 34th International Conference: Learning at the System Level to Improve Healthcare Quality and Safety**
1- 4 October 2017, London
http://www.isqua.org/Events/london-2017

**CEC's 'Advanced Measurement and Variation Workshop'**
23rd October (additional workshop on 13th November)

**6th Annual NHMRC Symposium on Research Translation co-hosted with the Lowitja Institute**
Tuesday, 14 November 2017 to Wednesday, 15 November 2017, Brisbane, Australia

**SHPA Medicines Management 2017 Conference**
16-19 November 2017, Sydney
http://mm2017shpa.com/

**International Conference on Medical Cannabis and Cannabinoids: Policy, Science, and Medical Practice**
22-24 November 2017, Prague CZ.
http://medical-cannabis-conference.com/2017/#_WuzuEu7pFo

**Cochrane Australia: Australasian Cochrane Symposium 'Towards living evidence',**
22-23rd November, Melbourne
http://australia.cochrane.org/news/australian-cochrane-symposium

**APSA-ASCEPT Joint Scientific Meeting: Optimising medicines for optimal patient outcomes**
5-8 December, 2017, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre
Abstract submission now open
http://www.asceptasm.com/2017-annual-scientific-meeting/program-workshops/

**IHI National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care
December 10–13 2017, Orlando, Florida
Abstract submissions now open
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