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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:** Perioperative management plan for patients taking anticoagulant or antiplatelet agents. Closes 7 March 2017

**Upcoming Meetings**
- TAG Management Committee meeting 20th February 2017
- TAG General Committee meeting: 20th February 2017
- TAGNet meeting: 21st February 2017

TAG WEBSITE

**Email discussion:** Off-label use rituximab in membranous nephropathy

**Survey report:** Revitalising hospital evaluation of medicines use- the case for DUE

CONSULTATIONS

**TGA**
- Proposed amendments to the poisons standard – ACCS, ACMS March 2017 (flurbiprofen, ibuprofen, penciclovir, loratadine, ulipristal, dihydrocodeine). Closes 10 February 2017

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – AUSTRALIA

**ACSQHC**
- Recommendations for terminology, abbreviations and symbols used in medicines documentation

**AIHW**
- Cancer in Australia 2017
- Mental health services in Australia / tranche 1 2017: National data updates for expenditure, services and seclusion data.
- Deaths

**NPS MedicineWise**
- The value of spirometry in clinical practice
**TGA**
- Glyceryl trinitrate tablets (Anginine™ and Lycinate™): Alternative product and potential shortage
- The Poisons Standard February 2017 (SUSMP No. 16)
- Homeopathic teething products: TGA investigation complete

**REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL**

**AHRQ**
- Diagnosis and Management of Gout: Current State of the Evidence
  https://www.effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/search-for-guides-reviews-and-reports/?pageaction=displayproduct&productID=2323

**CADTH**
- Idarucizumab for Reversing Anticoagulation in Adults Treated with Dabigatran: A Review of the Clinical Effectiveness, Cost-effectiveness, and Guidelines

**EMA**
- Advanced therapy medicines: towards increased development and patient access

**NICE**
- Osteoporosis: assessing the risk of fragility fracture
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ce146
- Pomalidomide for multiple myeloma previously treated with lenalidomide and bortezomib
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta427
- Pembrolizumab for treating PD-L1-positive non-small-cell lung cancer after chemotherapy
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta428
- Ibrutinib for previously treated chronic lymphcytic leukaemia and untreated chronic lymphocyctic leukaemia with 17p deletion or TP53 mutation
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta429
- Sofosbuvir – velpatasvir for treating chronic hepatitis C
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta430
- Mepolizumab for treating severe refractory eosinophilic asthma
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta431
- Ticagrelor for preventing atherothrombotic events after myocardial infarction
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta420
- Everolimus with exemestane for treating advanced breast cancer after endocrine therapy
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta421

**SIGN**
- Cutaneous melanoma (A national clinical guideline)
  http://www.sign.ac.uk/guidelines/fulltext/146/index.html
- Autism Patient Booklet for Young People
  http://www.sign.ac.uk/patients/publications/145/index.html
- SIGN146: Cutaneous melanoma
  http://www.sign.ac.uk/guidelines/fulltext/146/index.html

**MEDICATION SAFETY**

**NSW Health**
- Safety Notice: Vaccine cold chain management in NSW Facilities
- Safety Notice: Identification of Post-Injection Syndrome Olanzapine Pamoate Long Acting Injection
**FDA**
- Drug safety communication: Chlorhexidine gluconate — Rare but serious allergic reactions

**TGA**
- Safety advisory: Impeous Man capsules contain undeclared sildenafil and phenolphthalein
- Safety advisory: Zhen Gongfu capsules contain undeclared sildenafil
- Safety advisory: Chao Jimengnan Super Powerful Man tablets contain undeclared sildenafil

**PAPERS OF INTEREST**
**Annals of Internal Medicine**
- Nicotine, Carcinogen, and Toxin Exposure in Long-Term E-Cigarette and Nicotine Replacement Therapy Users: A Cross-sectional Study

**Annals of Rheumatic Disease**
- Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs for spinal pain: a systematic review and meta-analysis
  [http://ard.bmj.com/content/early/2017/01/20/annrheumdis-2016-210597.short](http://ard.bmj.com/content/early/2017/01/20/annrheumdis-2016-210597.short)

**British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology**
- Medication induced SIADH: Distribution and characterization according to medication class
- Lack of respiratory depression in paracetamol-codeine combination overdoses
- Medicine information exchange networks among healthcare professionals and prescribing in geriatric medicine wards
- Multicompartment compliance aids in the community: the prevalence of potentially inappropriate medications

**BMJ**
- Contribution of industry funded post-marketing studies to drug safety: survey of notifications submitted to regulatory agencies
  [http://www.bmj.com/content/356/bmj.j337](http://www.bmj.com/content/356/bmj.j337)

**Cochrane Library**
- Antiplatelet and anticoagulant agents for primary prevention of thrombosis in individuals with antiphospholipid antibodies
- Emollients and moisturisers for eczema
- Different insulin types and regimens for pregnant women with pre-existing diabetes
- Liposomal bupivacaine infiltration at the surgical site for the management of postoperative pain
- Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) for chronic non-cancer pain in children and adolescents
- Propofol versus thiopental sodium for the treatment of refractory status epilepticus
- Stepping down the dose of inhaled corticosteroids for adults with asthma
- Strategies for improving adherence to antiepileptic drug treatment in people with epilepsy
- Topical anaesthesia for needle-related pain in newborn infants

- Internal Medicine Journal
  - Venous thromboembolism management practices and knowledge of guidelines: a survey of
   Australian haematologists and respiratory physicians
  - Long-term adherence to apomorphine infusion in patients with Parkinson's disease: a 10 year
   observational study

- International Journal of Clinical Practice
  - Alpha blockers in the management of ureteric lithiasis: A meta-analysis

- JAMA Internal Medicine
  - Comparative Effectiveness of Vancomycin and Metronidazole for the Prevention of Recurrence and
   Death in Patients with Clostridium difficile Infection
    http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamainternalmedicine/fullarticle/2601079

- MJA
  - What risks do herbal products pose to the Australian community?
  - Cardiovascular disease in patients with schizophrenia
  - Allergen immunotherapy for respiratory allergic disease in Australia in 2016

- NEJM
  - Radiation with or without Antiandrogen Therapy in Recurrent Prostate Cancer

- Pediatrics
  - Effectiveness and Duration of Protection of One Dose of a Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine
    http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/139/2/e20162193

- The Lancet
  - Intra-articular corticosteroids versus intra-articular corticosteroids plus methotrexate in
   oligoarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis: a multicentre, prospective, randomised, open-label trial
    http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(17)30065-X/fulltext

UPCOMING EVENTS (new additions in bold)

- ACI Chronic Care Network
  Bright Spots across the Bush - Lessons in Integrated Care
  17 February 2017, Dubbo
**Australian Society for Antimicrobials**  
23 - 26 February 2017, Adelaide  
[www.antimicrobials2017.com](http://www.antimicrobials2017.com)

**HISA NSW**  
- My Health Record E-health Record Solutions Workshop, 2-3 March, 2017. Hunter Medical Research Institute (Grounds of John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle)  

**ISMP CHA Medication Safety Intensive, Sydney, March 9-10 2017.**  

**Informa eMedication Management Conference, 14-15th March 2017, Swissotel, Sydney**  

**The Digital Health Show 2017, 29-30th March 2017, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre**  

**Health Quality & Safety Commission New Zealand**  
- Choosing Wisely Symposium, 30th March 2017, Te Papa Museum, Wellington, New Zealand  

**CADTH Symposium, April 23, 2017 - April 25, 2017: Shaw Centre, Ottawa, Ontario**  
[https://www.cadth.ca/events/2017-cadth-symposium](https://www.cadth.ca/events/2017-cadth-symposium)

**2017 NSW Patient Experience Symposium, 1st-2nd May 2017 Bay 4, Australian Technology Park, Eveleigh NSW**  

**1st Australasian Diagnostic Error in Medicine Conference, Melbourne, 24-25 May 2017**  
[www.improvediagnosis.org/?page=AusDEM17](http://www.improvediagnosis.org/?page=AusDEM17)

**Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine**  
- Australasian Diagnostic Error in Medicine Conference 2017, 24-25th May 2017, Melbourne  
Abstracts open until 10th February 2017  
[http://www.improvediagnosis.org/?page=AusDEM17](http://www.improvediagnosis.org/?page=AusDEM17)

**6th World Congress of Clinical Safety 2017, Roma, Italy, 6-8th September 2017**  
Abstract submission to 31 March 2017  
[http://www.iarmm.org/6WCCS/](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  

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