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TAG ACTIVITIES
**Email Discussions**
- Clinical effectiveness of Olanzapine ODT brand. **Closes 29 May 2017**
- CATAG email discussion: riociguat use in hospitals. **Closes 23 May 2017**

TAG WEBSITE
**Email Discussions**
- Removal of HYDROmorphone 50mg/5mL and upcoming availability of HYDROmorphone 50mg/mL

CONSULTATIONS
**TGA**
- Proposed amendments to the Poisons Standard ACCS, ACMS and joint ACCS/ACMS meetings, July 2017 (medicines for scheduling advice: esomeprazole; ibuprofen combined with paracetamol; sildenafil; stiripentol; vardenafil). **Closes 31 May 2017**

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – AUSTRALIA
**AIHW**
- Admitted patient care 2015-16: Australian hospital statistics

**TGA**
- AusPAR added: Daclizumab (Zinbryta™) for the treatment of relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (MS) to delay the progression of physical disability and to reduce the frequency of relapse.
- Allergies and medicines: Information for consumers about finding potential allergens on medicine labels

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL
**AHRO Patient Safety Network**
- A national survey assessing the number of records allowed open in electronic health records at hospitals and ambulatory sites.
**NICE**  
- Hip fracture: management  
[https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg124](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg124)

**EMA**  
- EPAR added: Dinutuximab beta approved to treat neuroblastoma  

**MEDICATION SAFETY**  
**NSW Health**  
- Infection from contaminated ultrasound gel  

**TGA**  
- Safety advisory: Meditech™ ultrasound gel – Risk of bacterial contamination  
- Safety advisory: Man XXX Herbal capsules contain undeclared levodopa  

**Specialist Pharmacy Service**  
- Can tricyclic antidepressants cause tinnitus?  
[https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/can-tricyclic-antidepressants-cause-tinnitus-2/](https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/can-tricyclic-antidepressants-cause-tinnitus-2/)

**OTHER NEWS**  
**ACSQHC**  
- The Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care and Healthdirect Australia have jointly launched the Question Builder, a free web-based tool to help people prepare for their medical appointment and make the best use of the time with their doctor.  

**CEC**  
- The Last Days of Life Toolkit tools and supporting resources for implementation have just been made available on the CEC website – this includes the anticipatory prescribing guide and x5 flowcharts for common symptoms.  

**PAPERS OF INTEREST**  
**AJHP**  
- Implementation of a timed, electronic, assessment-driven potassium-replacement protocol  
[http://www.ajhp.org/content/early/2017/05/04/ajhp160378](http://www.ajhp.org/content/early/2017/05/04/ajhp160378)  
- National survey of comprehensive pharmacy services provided in cancer clinical trials  
[http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S35.abstract?etoc](http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S35.abstract?etoc)  
- Development of a medication review service for patients with enteral tubes in a community teaching hospital  
[http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S47?etoc=&sso-checked=true](http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S47?etoc=&sso-checked=true)  
- Implementation of post discharge follow-up telephone calls at a comprehensive cancer center  
[http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S42?etoc](http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/11_Supplement_2/S42?etoc)

**Australian Prescriber**  
- Brivaracetam for epilepsy
**British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology**
- QT interval prolongation in opioid agonist treatment: analysis of continuous 12-lead electrocardiogram recording
- Optimizing the dose in cancer patients treated with imatinib, sunitinib and pazopanib
- The pharmacokinetic interaction between ivacaftor and ritonavir in healthy volunteers

**BMJ**
- Risk of acute myocardial infarction with NSAIDs in real world use: Bayesian meta-analysis of individual patient data
  [http://www.bmj.com/content/357/bmj.j1909](http://www.bmj.com/content/357/bmj.j1909)

**Canadian Medical Association Journal**
- Guideline for opioid therapy and chronic non cancer pain
  [http://www.cmaj.ca/content/189/18/E659](http://www.cmaj.ca/content/189/18/E659)

**Cochrane Library**
- Clonidine for sedation and analgesia for neonates receiving mechanical ventilation
- Dipeptidyl-peptidase (DPP)-4 inhibitors and glucagon-like peptide (GLP)-1 analogues for prevention or delay of type 2 diabetes mellitus and its associated complications in people at increased risk for the development of type 2 diabetes mellitus

**European Heart Journal**
- Effect of vitamin D on all-cause mortality in heart failure (EVITA): a 3-year randomized clinical trial with 4000 IU vitamin D daily

**EJHP**
- Implementation of a new health information technology for the management of cancer chemotherapies
  [http://ejhp.bmj.com/content/early/2017/05/09/ejhpharm-2016-001135](http://ejhp.bmj.com/content/early/2017/05/09/ejhpharm-2016-001135)

**Internal Medicine Journal**
- Chemotherapy related cardiotoxicity – Are Australian practitioners missing the point?
- Survey of practices around pharmaceutical company funding for continuing professional development among medical oncologists and trainees in Australia
- Life threatening drug interactions: what the physician needs to know

**JAMIA**
- Effect of health information exchange on recognition of medication discrepancies is interrupted when data charges are introduced: results of a cluster-randomized controlled trial
**Paediatrics**
-The Impact of Pediatric-Specific Vancomycin Dosing Guidelines: A Quality Improvement Initiative
http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2017/05/09/peds.2016-2423

**The Lancet**
- Mortality risks associated with emergency admissions during weekends and public holidays: an analysis of electronic health records
http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(17)30782-1/fulltext
- Switching from originator infliximab to biosimilar CT-P13 compared with maintained treatment with originator infliximab (NOR-SWITCH): a 52-week, randomised, double-blind, non-inferiority trial
http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(17)30068-5/fulltext

**The Lancet HIV**
- Survival of HIV-positive patients starting antiretroviral therapy between 1996 and 2013: a collaborative analysis of cohort studies
http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanhiv/article/PIIS2352-3018(17)30066-8/abstract

UPCOMING EVENTS (new additions in bold)
**1st Australasian Diagnostic Error in Medicine Conference, Melbourne, 24-25 May 2017**
www.improvediagnosis.org/AusDEM17

**NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation - Shared Decision Making Masterclass: Making Health Decisions Together, 26th May 2017, Sydney**

**Vivid Sydney ‘Dare to Design Our Healthcare Future – Reimagining the Future of Australia’s Healthcare Future’ 2nd June, 9 Barnett Long Room, Customs House, 31 Alfred Street Sydney**
https://www.vividsydney.com/event/ideas/dare-design-our-health-future

**Women and Heart Disease Forum, 14th June 2017, Qantas Centre of Service Excellence, 70-80 Euston Road, Alexandria NSW**

**Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Clinical Pharmacology International Summer Courses**
Utrecht University, The Netherlands
3-7 July 2017 - Pharmacoepidemiology & Drug safety
10-14 July 2017 - Pharmaceutical Policy Analysis (WHO CC for Pharmaceutical Policy and Regulation)
17-21 July 2017 - Pharmacoeconomics
(www.utrechtsummerschool.nl<http://www.utrechtsummerschool.nl>).

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

**6th World Congress of Clinical Safety 2017, Roma, Italy, 6-8th September 2017**
Abstract submission to 31 March 2017
http://www.jarmm.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’ 23nd October (additional workshop on 13th November)**
**6th Annual NHMRC Symposium on Research Translation co-hosted with the Lowitja Institute**
Tuesday, 14 November 2017 - 9:00am to Wednesday, 15 November 2017 - 5:00pm
Brisbane, Australia


**International Conference on Medical Cannabis and Cannabinoids**
‘Policy, Science, and Medical Practice’
22-24 November, 2017, Prague CZ.
http://medical-cannabis-conference.com/2017#.WRuzuEu7pFo

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