

TAG Mail 3rd April 2009



TAG MEETINGS

**TAG General Group meeting Monday 6th April at 3pm, Concord Hospital- L7 Meeting Room

**The TAGNet meeting has been cancelled.

WEBSITE UPDATE

Nil

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS - AUSTRALIA

**VMAC

-Unfractionated heparin- Administration and minimising associated risks

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/vmac/downloads/heparin-alert.pdf>

-Unfractionated Heparin- Audit tool

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/vmac/downloads/heparin-audit-tool.pdf>

**GMCT

-Clinician Connect Newsletter. Featuring an editorial on Medical Workforce Recruitment and Management in Rural Areas.

http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/resources/gmct/news/pdf/news_2009_04_01.pdf

**ARCHI

-ARCHI news March edition. Collecting Patient Registration Information Training Program and SHARED- A framework for clinical handover

http://www.archi.net.au/our_services/nn/2009/mar09

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS - INTERNATIONAL

**ISMP

-Beware of basal opioid infusions with PCA therapy

<http://www.ismp.org/Newsletters/acutecare/articles/20090312.asp>

**AHRQ

-Premixed Insulin Analogues: A Comparison With Other Treatments for Type 2 Diabetes

<http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/healthInfo.cfm?infotype=sg&ProcessID=18&DocID=124>

-Premixed Insulin for Type 2 Diabetes: A Guide for Adults

<http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/healthInfo.cfm?infotype=sg&ProcessID=18&DocID=125#section3>

-Emerging Lessons - Computerized Provider Order Entry - Ambulatory
http://healthit.ahrq.gov/portal/server.pt?open=514&objID=5562&mode=2&hold_erDisplayURL=http://prodportallb.ahrq.gov:7087/publishedcontent/publish/communities/a_e/ahrq_funded_projects/test_emerging_lessons/acpoe/computerized_provider_order_entry_ambulatory.html

-Web M & M: Double Dosing, by the Rules; Medication Reconciliation Victory after an Avoidable Error
<http://webmm.ahrq.gov/>

**CADTH

-Intravenous Immunoglobulin for the Treatment of Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy
http://www.cadth.ca/media/pdf/298_Intravenous_Immunoglobulin_CIPD_tr_e.pdf

**CDC

-MMWR March 27, 2009 / Vol. 58 / No. 11. This issue includes; Application of Lower Sodium Intake Recommendations to Adults --- United States, 1999–2006
http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/mmwr_wk.html

**NPCi Blog

-Newer insulins have only limited clinical benefits
<http://www.npci.org.uk/blog/?p=318>

**NLH (UK)

2009 Annual Evidence Update: Stopping TB - Homepage
<http://www.library.nhs.uk/INFECTIONS/ViewResource.aspx?resID=307020>

MEDICATION SAFETY

**TGA

Australian Adverse Drug Reactions Bulletin Volume 28, Number 2, April 2009. Severe adverse reactions with intravenous immunoglobulin, Serious reaction reminders: sodium valproate and fetal malformations and cefaclor and serum sickness-like reactions in children.
<http://www.tga.gov.au/adr/aadrb/aadr0904.htm#a1>

**MHRA

-Drug Safety Update Volume 2 Issue 9, April 2009. Including: Antiepileptics: adverse effects on bone; Off-label or unlicensed use of medicines: prescribers' responsibilities.
<http://www.mhra.gov.uk/Publications/Safetyguidance/DrugSafetyUpdate/CON043809>

PAPERS OF INTEREST

-Implementation Of Computerized Physician Order Entry In Seven Countries
Aarts J, Koppel R. Health Aff. 2009;28:404-414.

<http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/abstract/28/2/404>

-Model-based cost-effectiveness analysis of interventions aimed at preventing medication error at hospital admission (medicines reconciliation) J Eval Clin Pract 2009; 15(2): 299-306

<http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/journal/122267626/abstract?CRETRY=1&SRETRY=0>

-A Genome-Wide Association Study Confirms *VKORC1*, *CYP2C9*, and *CYP4F2* as Principal Genetic Determinants of Warfarin Dose. PLoS Genet 5(3): e1000433. doi:10.1371/journal.pgen.1000433

<http://www.plosgenetics.org/article/info:doi/10.1371/journal.pgen.1000433>

CONSULTATIONS

Nil

UPCOMING EVENTS

**IHI: Engaging with Physicians in a Shared Quality Agenda April 21-23 2009, Chicago Illinois

http://www.ihl.org/IHI/Programs/ConferencesAndSeminars/EngagingwithPhysiciansApril09.htm?utm_source=email&utm_medium=targeted&utm_campaign=admin

**Acute Medical Assessment Units: Improving Care and Flow for Medical Patients Friday 24th of April Royal Children's Hospital, Parkville Victoria

<http://www.crepatientsafety.org.au/seminars/>

**Heart Foundation Conference 2009: Hearts in Focus: Celebration, Collaboration and Challenges 14-16 May 2009, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Queensland, Australia <http://www.heartfoundation2009.com/>

**NPSF: Patient safety in challenging times: more than ever a critical need May 20 - 22, 2009, Washington, DC.

Call for abstracts now open. Applications close Friday, January 23, 2009.

<http://www.npsf.org/npsfac/>

**Managing challenging behaviours in older people with cognitive impairment (call for abstracts open). 6-7 August 2009. Rialto, Collins St, Melbourne, VIC

http://www.changechampions.com.au/guidelines/Challenging_Behaviours.pdf

**7th Australasian Association for Quality in Healthcare (AAQHC) Conference in Sydney on 6-9 September, 2009 <http://www.aaghc2009.org.au/program/>

**International Society for Quality in Healthcare: 26th International conference 11-14 October, 2009 Dublin, Ireland. <http://www.isqua.org/Dublin2009-InternationalSocietyforQualityinHealthCareInc..html>

**DOH (NSW): 2009 NSW Health Awards and Expo- 30th October, Australian Technology Park (Redfern)
<http://www.awards-expo.health.nsw.gov.au/>

OTHER NEWS

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