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The purpose of TAG Mail is to assist TAG members identify and share relevant information for their professional practice. Members are encouraged to routinely forward TAG Mail to others who they believe would benefit from this information such as colleagues in the same hospital department if they are not already receiving TAG Mail.

TAG ACTIVITIES
**Meetings**
- TAG Management Meeting – 22 February 2016 – 1:30pm – Concord Hospital or via teleconference
- TAG General Meeting – 22 February 2016 – 3:00pm – Concord Hospital or via teleconference
- TAGNet Meeting – 23 February 2016 - 11.00am - TAG Offices or via teleconference

**Multisite study using National QUM Indicator 7.4**
NSW TAG is co-ordinating a multi-site study utilising the QUM indicator 7.4: Percentage of patients taking antipsychotic medicines who receive appropriate monitoring for the development of metabolic side effects pre- and post- intervention. To date, ten NSW hospitals have expressed interest in participating in this multi-site activity. If you would be interested in your (NSW or interstate) hospital becoming involved, please contact Margaret Jordan Margaret.Jordan@svha.org.au via email. We will be able to provide the necessary documents to assist in obtaining ethics and/or site-specific approval.

TAG WEBSITE
**2015 NSW TAG Annual Report:**
The 2015 NSW TAG Annual Report is now available on the website.  

** Email Discussions**
- Issues with Medicines Access Programs

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS - AUSTRALIA
**AIHW**
- Trends in serious injury due to road vehicle traffic crashes, Australia: 2001 to 2010  
- Hospitalised injuries in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people: 2011-13  

**NSW Health**
- Guide to the Role Delineation of Clinical Services (2016)

**TGA**
- Recall: Veletri (epoprostenol sodium) consumables kit – small risk of infection due to potential contamination  
- Consultations of adoption of European Union guidelines in Australia: Outcome of previous consultation  
- AusPAR added (extension of indications): Dabigatran etexilate (Pradaxa™) for treatment of acute deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and/or pulmonary embolism (PE) and prevention of related death, and prevention of recurrent deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and/or pulmonary embolism (PE) and related death.  
- AusPAR added (extension of indication and new strengths): Lenalidomide (Revlimid™) for the treatment of patients with multiple myeloma and for treatment of patients with transfusion-dependent anaemia due to low- or intermediate-1 risk myelodysplastic syndromes associated with a deletion 5q cytogenetic abnormality with or without additional cytogenetic abnormalities.


- AusPAR added: Ceftobiprole medocaril sodium (Zevtera™) for the treatment of the following infections in adults suspected or proven to be caused by designated susceptible microorganisms
  - Hospital-acquired pneumonia (HAP), excluding ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP)
  - Community-acquired pneumonia (CAP)


- AusPAR added: Ceftolozane sulphate/tazobactam sodium (Zerbaxa™) for the treatment of the following infections in adults suspected or proven to be caused by designated susceptible microorganisms:
  - Complicated intra-abdominal infections in combination with metronidazole
  - Complicated urinary tract infections, including pyelonephritis


- AusPAR added: Nintedanib esilate (Ofev™/Vargatef™) is indicated in combination with docetaxel for the treatment of patients with locally advanced, metastatic or recurrent non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) of adenocarcinoma tumour histology after failure of first line chemotherapy. Ofev/Vargatef is also indicated for the treatment of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)


- Update to list of designated orphan drugs: Miglustat (ZAVESCA) for the treatment of mild to moderate type 1 Gaucher disease.

http://www.tga.gov.au/updates-list-designated-orphan-drugs

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS - INTERNATIONAL

**EMA**
- Updated recommendations to minimise the risk of the rare brain infection PML with Natalizumab (Tysabri™)


- SGLT2 inhibitors: PRAC makes recommendations to minimise risk of diabetic ketoacidosis


**NICE**
- Clinical Guidelines
  - Bipolar disorder: assessment and management (CG185)

http://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg185

**AHRQ Patient Safety Network**
- Tallman lettering as a strategy for differentiation in look-alike, sound-alike drug names: The role of familiarity in differentiating drug doppelgangers


- Remote video auditing with real-time feedback in an academic surgical suite improves safety and efficiency metrics: a cluster randomised study.


**CADTH**
- Pre-Endoscopic Intravenous Proton Pump Inhibitors for Emergency Department Patients with Upper Gastrointestinal Bleeds: A Review of Clinical Effectiveness, Cost-Effectiveness and Guidelines

https://www.cadth.ca/pre-endoscopic-intravenous-proton-pump-inhibitors-emergency-department-patients-upper-0

MEDICATION SAFETY

**TGA**
- Safety advisory: ‘Natural Model’ capsules contain undeclared sibutramine and phenolphthalein
- Safety advisory: ‘Zhong Hua Niu Bian’ tablets contain undeclared chloramphenicol and sildenafil
- Safety advisory: ‘Half Quite’ tablets contain undeclared sildenafil

PAPERS OF INTEREST
**BMC Medicine
- Post-marketing withdrawal of 462 medicinal products because of adverse drug reactions: a systematic review of the world literature

**British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology
- Rivaroxaban compared with standard thromboprophylaxis after major orthopaedic surgery: co-medication interactions

**Circulation
- Long Term Safety and Efficacy of Lowering LDL Cholesterol With Statin Therapy: 20-Year Follow-Up of West of Scotland Coronary Prevention Study
  http://circ.ahajournals.org/content/early/2016/02/10/CIRCULATIONAHA.115.019014.abstract

**EJHP
- Antimicrobial consumption in a tertiary children’s hospital in Finland (2003–2013)
  http://ejhp.bmj.com/content/early/2016/02/11/ejpharm-2015-000766.short?g=w_ejhp_ahead_tab

**JAMA
- In-Hospital Outcomes and Costs Among Patients Hospitalized During a Return Visit to the Emergency Department

**Journal of the American Geriatrics Society
- Effects of Changes in Number of Medications and Drug Burden Index Exposure on Transitions Between Frailty States and Death: The Concord Health and Ageing in Men Project Cohort Study

**Journal of Clinical Oncology
- Influence of the Acidic Beverage Cola on the Absorption of Erlotinib in Patients With Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer
  http://jco.ascopubs.org/content/early/2016/02/05/JCO.2015.65.2560.abstract

**Journal of Healthcare Leadership
- What are the effective ways to translate clinical leadership into health care quality improvement?
  https://www.dovepress.com/what-are-the-effective-ways-to-translate-clinical-leadership-into-health-peer-reviewed-article-JHL

**MJA
- Acute heart failure admissions in New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory: the NSW HF Snapshot Study
  The value of consultant-led ward rounds for patient safety
CONSULTATIONS

OTHER NEWS
**PBS
- Information about the new Hepatitis C treatments on the PBS from 1 March 2016

**NPS
- New online e-learning module ‘Drug misuse: implications for pharmacists’

UPCOMING EVENTS (new additions in bold)
** Health Chain Supply Management, 14 – 18 Feb 2016, Dubai
  http://www.pamsteele.co.uk/courses/health-supply-chain-management-hscm-dubai-2016/
- Supply Chain Capacity Development; 21- 25 Feb 2016, Dubai
  http://www.pamsteele.co.uk/courses/supply-chain-capacity-development-sccd-dubai-2016/
- Managing Human Resources in Health and Humanitarian Supply Chains; 21-25 Feb 2016, Dubai

**EAHP
21st Congress of the EAHP (European Association of Hospital Pharmacists)
‘Hospital pharmacists taking the lead – partnerships and technologies’, 16-18 March 2016, Vienna, Austria
  http://www.eahp.eu/congresses

**IHI
- Breakthrough Series College, March 29–31, 2016, Cambridge, MA, USA
  http://www.ihi.org/education/InPersonTraining/BreakthroughSeriesCollege/March2016BTSCollege/Pages/default.aspx?utm_campaign=BTSC+March+2016&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=23297166&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-8OZ9FlsGQcddhH1o-ZNv6O1HroyFhMRkGGINJGguLzd5tVMFNNzDnFE-nD27IS_AvTgX8i9wNboiEXMdxKh86r4NzJf1A&_hsmi=23297166
- Patient Safety Executive Development Program
  March 3-9, 2016 Cambridge, MA
  http://www.ihi.org/education/InPersonTraining/PatientSafetyExecutive/PatientSafetyExecutiveDevelopmentMarch2016/Pages/default.aspx?utm_campaign=2016+March+PSO&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=23544167&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-93OZvfSpkxcCIEMBnZJlH7xk3GHpQESS91g89p-kN1_5QGSDK6EGuewKQ4lmkVym2oaQKK029gb3_Gu-RRumC9EwW&_hsmi=23544167

**ISMP
- Medication Safety Intensive- 31 March and 1 April 2016
  Orlando, Florida
  https://www.magnetmail.net/actions/email_web_version.cfm?recipient_id=697757553&message_id=12063548&user_id=ISMP&group_id=2780410&jobid=32298149

“Making wise decisions about medicines, tests and technologies: co-designing policy, practice and priorities”
Abstract submission closes: Monday, 29 February 2016
**The Laboratory of Innovative Practices on Polypharmacy and Health**
3rd International Short Film and Photography Festival, May 2016
Entries close 30 April 2016
http://polimedico.org

**EUFEPs**
- European Federation for Pharmaceutical Sciences 2016 Meeting
  “Clinical Outcome and Regulatory Approaches for Advanced Drug Delivery Products”, 13-15 June 2016, Istanbul Turkey
  www.eufepsannualmeeting.org

**FIP**
2016 FIP World Congress
“Reducing the global burden of disease — Rising to the challenge”.
28 August – 1 September 2016, Buenos Aires, Argentina
http://buenosaires2016.fip.org/

**International Association of Risk Management in Medicine**
IARMM General Assembly 2016 jointly with 5th World Congress of Clinical Safety (SWCCS)
“Smart Hospitals and Healthcare: Health Care Management & Leadership, Risk, Quality, and Productivity”
21 - 23 September 2016, Harvard University Medical School Boston, USA

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http://www.iarmm.org/SWCCS/

**Australian Disease Management Association 12th Annual National Conference, 20-12 October 2016, Melbourne**
“Person Centred Healthcare: Achievements & Challenges”
Abstract submission closes 27 May 2016

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