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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
- Use of zolendronic acid and denosumab for adjuvant treatment in postmenopausal women with early breast cancer with the aim of reducing breast cancer recurrence and fragility fracture. Closes 23rd August 2017

**Upcoming Meetings
- medSMART meeting 15th August 2017
- TAG Management Meeting: 21 August 2017
- TAG General Committee Meeting: 21 August 2017
- TAGNet Meeting: 22 August 2017

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

REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – AUSTRALIA
**Australian Digital Health Agency
- Australia's National Digital Health strategy

**NPS MedicineWise
- Be Medicinewise Week: Medicine misuse can happen to anyone
- New TGA indication for empagliflozin

**TGA
- Medicine Shortage Update: Etopophos (etoposide phosphate) powder for injection vials and Vepesid etoposide capsules – registered products now available
- Updates to the Prescribing Medicines in Pregnancy database: atezolizumab (Category D) and ocrelizumab (Category D)
**Rare Cancers Australia**
- Rare Solutions: A Time to Act
  https://engonetrca2.blob.core.windows.net/assets/uploads/files/2017%20Rare%20Solutions%20Report_%20FINAL%20DIGITAL%20VERSION.pdf

**REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL**

**AHRQ**
- Health Literacy Tools for Providers of Medication Therapy Management

**AHRQ Patient Safety Network**
- Decreasing prescribing errors during pediatric emergencies: a randomized simulation trial.

**CADTH**
- Buprenorphine Formulations for the Treatment of Opioid Use Disorders: A Review of Comparative Clinical Effectiveness, Cost-Effectiveness and Guidelines
  https://www.cadth.ca/buprenorphine-formulations-treatment-opioid-use-disorders-review-comparative-clinical-effectiveness
- Gabapentin, Celecoxib, and Acetaminophen for the Prevention of Post-Operative Pain: Clinical Effectiveness

**FDA**
- Glecaprevir and pibrentasvir (Mavyret™) approved to treat adults with chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV) genotypes 1-6 without cirrhosis (liver disease) or with mild cirrhosis,
  https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm570038.htm
- Enasidenib (Idhifa™) approved for the treatment of adult patients with relapsed or refractory acute myeloid leukemia (AML) who have a specific genetic mutation.
  https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm569421.htm
- Ibrutinib (Imbruvica™) approval expanded for the treatment of adult patients with chronic graft versus host disease (cGVHD) after failure of one or more treatments.
  https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm569710.htm
- Daunorubicin and cytarabine (Vyxeos™) approved for the treatment of adults with two types of acute myeloid leukemia (AML): newly diagnosed therapy-related AML (t-AML) or AML with myelodysplasia-related changes (AML-MRC).
  https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm569883.htm

**EMA**
- EPAR added: Brodalumab (Kyntheum) approved to treat plaque psoriasis
- EPAR added: Patiromer (Veltassa) approved to treat hyperkalaemia

**GOV.UK**
- Bioscience and health technology database: annual report 2016

**Joint Commission**
- Discharge Instructions / Education Materials for Venous Thromboembolism (VTE): A Comprehensive Approach to Medication Management
  http://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/6/FINAL_WEB_VTE_COMPENDIUM_OF_RESOURCES_061420172.PDF
**NICE**
- Developmental follow-up of children and young people born preterm
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng72
- Cabozantinib for previously treated advanced renal cell carcinoma
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta463
- Bisphosphonates for treating osteoporosis
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta464
- Olaratumab in combination with doxorubicin for treating advanced soft tissue sarcoma
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta465
- Baricitinib for moderate to severe rheumatoid arthritis
  https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta466

**NIHR Signal**
- Prescribing regular drugs to prevent febrile convulsions risks more harm than benefit
  https://discover.dc.nihr.ac.uk/portal/article/4000735/prescribing-regular-drugs-to-prevent-febrile-convulsions-risks-more-harm-than-benefit

**MEDICATION SAFETY**
**TGA Safety Advisories**
- Various products promoting sexual enhancement and weight loss containing undeclared sildenafil and other prescription-only substances

**OTHER NEWS**
**New BNF and BNFC app**
- The publishers of the British National Formulary (BNF) and British National Formulary for Children (BNFC) have launched a new, faster, easier to use and access BNF and BNFC app. The new BNF & BNFC app is free to download on Apple (iTunes) and Android (Play Store) platforms.
  https://www.bnf.org/products/bnfbnfcapp/

**PAPERS OF INTEREST**
**Annals of Internal Medicine**
- Expansion of Treatment for Hepatitis C Virus Infection by Task Shifting to Community-Based Non-specialist Providers: A Non-randomized Clinical Trial
- Bone Health and Bone-Targeted Therapies for Non-metastatic Prostate Cancer: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

**AJHP**
- Implementation of a pharmacist-managed clinic for patients with chronic nonmalignant pain
  http://www.ajhp.org/content/74/16/1229

**Arthritis Care and Research**
- 2017 American College of Rheumatology/American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons Guideline for the Perioperative Management of Antirheumatic Medication in Patients With Rheumatic Diseases Undergoing Elective Total Hip or Total Knee Arthroplasty
  http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/acr.23274/abstract;jsessionid=4750982E662E33BCA70FBB594A1D5630.f04t03

**BMJ**
- Risk of neonatal drug withdrawal after intrauterine co-exposure to opioids and psychotropic medications: cohort study
  http://www.bmj.com/content/358/bmj.j3326
**BMJ Open**
- Optimal dose of succinylcholine for laryngeal mask airway insertion: systematic review, meta-analysis and metaregression of randomised control trials
  http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/7/8/e014274

**Cochrane Library**
- Antibiotic prophylaxis for operative vaginal delivery
- Antidepressants for chronic non-cancer pain in children and adolescents
- Antiepileptic drugs for chronic non-cancer pain in children and adolescents
- Low molecular weight heparin for prevention of venous thromboembolism in patients with lower-limb immobilization
- Paracetamol (acetaminophen) for chronic non-cancer pain in children and adolescents
- Sildenafil for pulmonary hypertension in neonates

**European Heart Journal**
- European Society of Cardiology/European Atherosclerosis Society Task Force consensus statement on proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 9 inhibitors: practical guidance for use in patients at very high cardiovascular risk

**Heart**
- Drug treatment effects on outcomes in heart failure with preserved ejection fraction: a systematic review and meta-analysis
  http://heart.bmj.com/content/early/2017/08/03/heartjnl-2017-311652

**Internal Medicine Journal**
- Statin-associated immune mediated necrotising myopathy: a New Zealand case series showing possible over-representation in Pacific Islanders
- Exploring disparities in receipt of adjuvant chemotherapy in culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) groups: an Australian centre's experience.

**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
- Effect of Azithromycin on Airflow Decline–Free Survival after Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant - The ALLOZITHRO Randomized Clinical Trial
  http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/article-abstract/2647869
- Effect of Levosimendan on Low Cardiac Output Syndrome in Patients with Low Ejection Fraction Undergoing Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting With Cardiopulmonary Bypass: The LICORN Randomized Clinical Trial
  http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/article-abstract/2647870

**Journal of Thrombosis and Haemostasis**
- Clinical effectiveness of a Bayesian algorithm for the diagnosis and management of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia

**NEJM**
- Angiotensin II for the Treatment of Vasodilatory Shock
Idarucizumab for Dabigatran Reversal — Full Cohort Analysis
Midostaurin plus Chemotherapy for Acute Myeloid Leukemia with a FLT3 Mutation
**Pediatrics**
- Early Probiotic Supplementation for Eczema and Asthma Prevention: A Randomized Controlled Trial
  http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2017/08/03/peds.2016-3000
- Methodological and Ethical Issues in Pediatric Medication Safety Research
  http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2017/08/02/peds.2017-0195
**The Lancet**
- Exenatide once weekly versus placebo in Parkinson's disease: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial
  http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(17)31585-4/fulltext
**The Lancet Diabetes and Endocrinology**
- Cardiovascular mortality and morbidity in patients with type 2 diabetes following initiation of sodium-glucose co-transporter-2 inhibitors versus other glucose-lowering drugs (CVD-REAL Nordic): a multinational observational analysis
  http://www.thelancet.com/journals/landia/article/PIIS2213-8587(17)30258-9/fulltext
**The Lancet HIV**
- Comparative efficacy and safety of second-line antiretroviral therapy for treatment of HIV/AIDS: a systematic review and network meta-analysis
  http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanhiv/article/PIIS2352-3018(17)30109-1/fulltext

UPCOMING EVENTS (new additions in bold)
**The University of Sydney – Sydney Ideas**
Data Science - the Future of Better Health?
15th August, The Westbrook 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/kuala-lumpur/

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

**The Alfred Health General Medicine Unit and The Centre of Research Excellence in Patient Safety Forum**
‘Healthcare in a person-centered era: communicating to improve outcomes’
Friday 22nd September 2017 9:00am-4:30pm (registration opens at 8.30am)
AMREP Lecture Theatre, 75 Commercial Road, The Alfred, Melbourne.
https://shop.monash.edu/healthcare-in-a-person-centred-era-forum.html

**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://mm2017spha.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#.WRuzuEu7pFo

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

**APSA-ASCEPT Joint Scientific Meeting: Optimising medicines for optimal patient outcomes**
5-8 December, 2017, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre
Abstract submissions 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
http://www.ihi.org/education/Conferences/Forum2017

**NPS MedicineWise National Medicines Symposium (NMS) ‘Population to personal healthcare: the future is now’. 30 May to 1 June 2018, Canberra.**

**Choosing Wisely National Meeting 2018 (precedes NMS 2018)**
Wednesday 30 May, National Convention Centre, Canberra.
For more information contact choosingwisely@nps.org.au.

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