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TGA slimming alert

THE Therapeutic Goods Administration has warned that St Nirvana herbal slimming tablets contain therapeutic quantities of sibutramine and phenolphthalein.

The TGA is also warning about Pink Lady for Women capsules, found to contain tadalafil.

Consumers using either product are advised to cease using them and discard any remaining tablets.

Special ad offer

THERE are still some last minute limited opportunities to have an ad placed in our special Pharmacy Expo edition on Fri this week.

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Paracetamol dosing moves

AUTHORITIES in the UK have developed new dosing guidelines for children's liquid medicines containing paracetamol, with the aim of ensuring children get the "most optimal dose of paracetamol suitable for their age".

The move coincides with a move by the Australian Self-Medication Industry to urge parents and carers to take extra care when medicating children for fever, coughs and colds.

ASMI is responding to reported comments by the NSW Poisons Information Centre about parents incorrectly calculating doses.

"Because the dose for many of these medications is based on the

weight of the child, it is important to refer to the pack to ensure that the dosing is correct each time it is used," said ASMI Regulatory and Scientific Affairs director Steven Scarff.

The UK Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency said the new guidelines were not in any way related to safety concerns.

The updated UK system will replace the current single 6-12 year age band (with a recommended 5-10ml dose four times in 24 hours) with three new classifications - 6-8 years (5ml), 8-10 years (7.5ml) and 10-12 years (10ml)..

Paracetamol products on the UK market must have the updated dosage instructions by the end of the year.

ASMI said parents concerned about paracetamol dosing should consult with their pharmacist or doctor for further advice.

RGH E-Bulletin

THIS week's edition of the RGH Pharmacy E-Bulletin gives an overview of prophylaxis against recurrent urinary tract infections - download for free from auspharmlist.net.au/ebulletin.php.

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Pharmacy Daily has teamed up with **Plunkett Pharmaceuticals** this week and is giving 4 lucky readers the chance to win an Instant Wrinkle Filler valued at \$39.95.

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DISPENSARY CORNER

DON'T let a drip stop you.

A policeman, Jiao Jianwu, in the Chinese province of Hubei, recently walked out of hospital with his drip still attached, so he could continue to help victims of the current flooding in Wuhan.

Jiao was admitted to hospital after working for three days/nights without break sandbagging, directing traffic and assisting locals.

He was forced into a hospital bed after collapsing from exhaustion, where he was put on a drip and told he needed complete rest.

Jiao had different ideas however, persuading doctors to hook him up to a portable drip so that he could return to his squad car and man the radio to direct colleagues to the most affected areas.

"It was the call of duty - my colleagues would have done no different," he said.

DANGEROUS driving.

A pair of Kazakhstan nationals caught the attention of the German media recently, after they were pulled over for some rather unusual dangerous driving.

According to reports, the pair were attempting to save money by transporting their newly acquired Mazda 626 in the back of their van, sideways.

The men had manoeuvred the Mazda into the back of the van with the help of a few friends, using mattresses on either side to avoid the car getting scratched.

Their dreams came to an end however when police pulled them over because their van had been riding very low to the ground whilst also swaying a lot.

Both the van and the Mazda have since been confiscated until the pair can organise other means of transport.



Latex pillows for head and neck health

Crafted from pure natural latex, **Bonito Baby's Madii & Dyl Latex Pillows** come in three sizes: Sooki Babe (newborn booster from three months- helps stop flat head); Teenii Tot (as a first pillow from 18 months) and Mini Me (for four years and up). The pillows are designed to support children's necks and spine alignment, whilst also providing maximum air flow to prevent heat and moisture build up. The pillows are also free from chemicals and are hypoallergenic and naturally resistant to dust mites, mildew and bacteria. The pillows also have a life span of 5+ years.

RRP: \$38.95 (Sooki Babe), \$48.95 (Teenii Tot), \$58.95 (Mini Me)
Stockist: www.bonitobaby.com.au

Intense hydrating for cold winter months

Skin which is suffering from the onset of winter may benefit from a dose of tender loving care via **Comvita Skincare's Intensive Hydrating Masque**. A product of New Zealand, the mask is created using Manuka honey (supports skin elasticity), macadamia oil (hydrates), shea butter (softens skin), kiwifruit seed oil (moisturising) and sodium hyaluronate (moisturising) and is packaged in an airless pump to ensure product purity.

RRP: \$55.00
Stockist: 1800 466 392



Minerals give glowing skin

ASAP Pure's Pure Mineral Makeup comes in a powder format, which contains high quality pigments with anti-inflammatory ingredients and UVA and UVB broad-spectrum sun protection to become a three-in-one concealer, foundation and SPF15 sunscreen. The powder's use of chromabright means skin appears visibly brighter after application, whilst the inclusion of hyaluronic acid microspheres in the formula help to reduce the appearance of lines and wrinkles.

It's suitable for all skin types including those prone to acne, rosacea and allergies, the mineral makeup is totally free from chemicals and dyes, and is available in four shades.

RRP: \$45.00
Stockist: 1300 131 970

Shine away that frizzy hair

New Zealand brand **Argania's Hair Oil** smoothes and adds shine to fly-away and frizzy hair with only a few drops. The formula is created by blending argan oil with almond, jojoba, macadamia and evening primrose oils to nourish hair from root to tip. The product is perfect for frequently blow-dried and heat straightened hair, as it acts to protect hair from the damaging effects of heat, whilst also warding off daily stresses which can leave it dry and dull. In addition the Hair Oil is lightly scented, leaving hair smelling subtly of sweet and spicy vanilla.

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