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## Your dose of Pharmacy

**TODAY** Pharmacy Daily is sporting two pages jam packed with news, as well as a **full page cover** detailing Drixine's no drip nasal spray.

**MEANWHILE** congratulations to last Friday's competition winner, Jonathan Soon Shi-Jian of HPS Pharmacies - Knox.

### WIN A NUTRI-SYNERGY PACK



This week **Pharmacy Daily** has teamed up with **Plunkett Pharmaceuticals** and is giving 5 lucky readers the chance to win a Nutri-Synergy prize pack.

Each prize pack includes NS-7 Dry Skin Moisturiser, NS-8 Rough Skin Treatment, NS-5 Protective Hand Cream and NS-3 Lip Balm.

Available from Priceline and pharmacies or visit [www.nutrisynergy.com.au](http://www.nutrisynergy.com.au).

For your chance to win this great pack, simply be the first person to correctly answer the question below to: [comp@pharmacydaily.com.au](mailto:comp@pharmacydaily.com.au).

**Do Nutri-Synergy moisturisers contain petro-chemicals?**

Congratulations to yesterday's lucky winner, **Lyndall Askew** of **Harrington Waters Village Pharma.**

## New diabetes STARcare

**SANOFI** Australia has launched a new holistic and patient centric range of diabetes services under the banner STARcare.

Designed to empower diabetics to manage their condition, the launch of the program also coincides with the release of Sanofi's first blood glucose meter, the BGStar, and includes a 24/7 toll-free telephone line for customer care for the BGStar range of blood glucose meters, "to provide patients with

confidence and ongoing support".

The BGStar metre supports both testing and management functionality and features easy-to-read display, large digits, 'hypo' and 'hyper' alerts, small blood sample requirement, easy mealtime tagging, and capability for simple patient reporting to healthcare professionals with the BGStar diabetes management software.

**MEANWHILE** the STARcare program is also designed to help support the way healthcare professionals manage their patients' diabetes, and provides them with a dedicated team of Diabetes Support Partners who are available to offer advice at any time, day or night.

"Importantly STARcare will allow healthcare professionals and consumers alike the reassurance to make better-informed decisions when it comes to managing diabetes," said Pharmaceutical Director of Sanofi Australia, Dr Rob Wilson.

"This unique holistic approach to patient care we believe is unparalleled in the market," he added.

### Smart vaccinations

**NPS** is empowering would-be travellers with vaccination information via a new online knowledge hub.

The hub provides detailed and up-to-date info about travel vaccines, including who should have them, what infections they protect against, and the possible side effects.

The hub also includes specific information about vaccines for specific groups of people like travellers, pregnant women and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, as well as information about all the vaccines available in Australia, including routine childhood vaccines, what diseases they protect against, who should have the vaccines and when, and the possible side effects.

"Many illnesses caught while overseas are avoidable if you have a vaccination prior to your departure and it's important to know which vaccinations you need to have for the countries you are visiting," NPS said.

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## Medicines submissions

**THE** Australian Competition & Consumer Commission is seeking submissions from interested parties on Medicines Australia's revised Code.

The industry body is currently in the process of seeking authorisation for its Code of Conduct Edition 17, which sets standards for the advertising and promotion of pharmaceutical products.

Changes to the current Code in the updated edition are designed to increase transparency surrounding the interactions between Medicines Australia member companies, healthcare professionals and patients.

These changes include a requirement for members to report on any payments made to healthcare professionals to provide consulting services.

Other changes require member companies to report on any payments made to healthcare professionals to act on advisory boards.

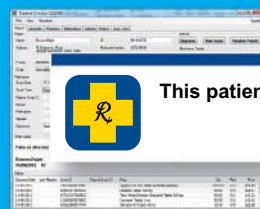
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## Guild Update

### E-learning modules

The Guild Pharmacy Academy is excited to announce the availability of a suite of e-learning modules developed by the Heart Foundation titled Improving adherence in cardiovascular care.

"The e-learning modules from the National Heart Foundation provide pharmacists with high-quality, educational content that is extremely useful in their everyday practice," Acting National Director of the Guild Pharmacy Academy and community pharmacy proprietor, Anthony Tassone said.

"Every day in community pharmacy, pharmacists are faced with patients who may not be completely compliant with their medications.

Any education and training that gives pharmacists and health professionals' additional tools and knowledge to help improve the health of the community can only be positive," Mr Tassone added.

The modules are available now at the Guild Pharmacy Academy website [www.mycpd.org.au](http://www.mycpd.org.au) - If you do not have a myCPD account, you can register now at [www.mycpd.org.au](http://www.mycpd.org.au) by clicking on myCPD register here.



The Pharmacy Guild of Australia

## NAPSA reveals new Council

THE National Australia Pharmacy Students Association has announced its new 2012-13 National Council.

Formally revealed at the NAPSA Annual Dinner, which took place during the organisation's Annual General Meeting held over the weekend in Canberra, the new council members (pictured below from left) include: Treasurer - Frank Kazantzis, Curtin University; Secretary- Bronwyn Jones, University of Tasmania; Vice President- Ellen Pedler, University of South Australia; and Incoming National President- Chris Braithwaite, University of SA.

Also announced were the Committee's six 2012-13 Chairs: Education- Luke Vrankovich, Curtin University; Industrial Affairs- Xavier Agostino, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology; IPSF- Manisha Singh, Queensland University of Technology; Pharmacy Awareness- Matthew Tom, Charles Sturt University; Publications- Cassandra Lee, Griffith University; and Rural and Indigenous Health-

Francesca Bennetts, University of Canberra.

MEANWHILE NAPSA's General Meeting also saw past National President Ashleigh Coome and current Australian College of Pharmacy President and former National President Trent Twomey awarded with Honorary Life Memberships to the organisation.

The weekend also saw outgoing NAPSA President, Timothy Mizzi, and Executive Director of the Pharmacy Guild, Wendy Phillips sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the Pharmacy Guild of Australia and NAPSA.

Speaking in the wake of the signage, Incoming President Chris Braithwaite said, "We would like to thank the Guild for their continued support of Australia's future pharmacists and we look forward to strengthening the relationship this term".

NAPSA also used the GM to announce that its 2014 Congress will be hosted by the Bendigo Association of Pharmacy Students.



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## DISPENSARY CORNER

SOMEONE may need a sedative, or a few deep breaths.

A live television debate on the private Jordanian Josat satellite station between Jordanian MP Mohammed Shawabka and activist Mansour Sayf al-Din Murad turned sour when Shawabka first threw his shoe at his opponent and then drew a pistol on him.

The robust outburst came after Shawabka accused Murad of being a spy, which in turn led to a slanging match of insults before the first shoe was flung.

The duo were broken up shortly after by the show's host.

GRAVE surprise.

A deceased man, Nick Newlife, has donated £100,000 to the charity Oxfam four years after he slipped off this mortal coil.

Newlife's funding came via a bet that he made nine years ago with the bookmaker William Hill that Roger Federer would win seven Wimbledon titles by 2019.

At the time Newlife made the bet in 2003, he put £1,520 at odds of 66/1, and when he died in 2009 he bequeathed the bet to Oxfam.

Following Federer's win Oxfam's Andrew Barton told media of his mixed loyalties, being both British and wanting Andy Murray to win, and wanting Federer to win for the money.

"I was just sitting there watching the tennis and I kept finding myself calling for Murray, particularly in that long game in the third set," he said.

"And then my head is telling me: Andrew, remember Oxfam gets the money if Federer wins," he added.

It seems the bet was not unique with Newlife, who was a big Federer fan and already had a £250 bet at 66/1 that Federer would win 14 Grand Slam events paid out to Oxfam since his passing, which netted the charity £16,750.