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Generic's New Generation





## Last chance to join

AMNEAL Pharmaceuticals has said it is the last chance to join the generic's new generation. See the [front page](#) for more.

## Compounding FAQs

THE Pharmacy Board of Australia has provided answers to frequently asked questions to assist pharmacists and the public understand the issues around the compounding of medicines, to be considered alongside its guidelines. [CLICK HERE](#) to access.

## WIN WITH AIRSSENTIAL

This week **Pharmacy Daily** and **Airsstantial Home Health Care Solutions** are giving away five LifeLine Elite BP monitors valued at \$89.95.

The LifeLine Elite BP monitor enables fast and reliable blood pressure measurement and allows storage of up to 40 completed readings for up to three users. It has a large display screen showing date and time, systolic and diastolic pressure, pulse, a hypertension classification indicator and an irregular heartbeat indicator. This monitor can be operated from mains power and the adapter is included as standard. It has a A/A rating (the highest rating for accuracy) from the British Hypertension Society (BHS) and features very favourably in the current CHOICE Magazine. Learn more at [Airsstantial.com.au](#).

To win, be the first person from WA to send the correct answer to the below question to: [comp@pharmacydaily.com.au](mailto:comp@pharmacydaily.com.au)

What method of inflation does the LifeLine Elite BP machine use?

Congratulations to yesterday's winner, Mirandah Crossett from Coral Coast Pharmacies.

## PIA \$60k wage cost increase

PHARMACY Guild representatives have said expert evidence will show due to the Pharmacy Industry Award and since its introduction, annual wage costs for the average pharmacy have increased by \$60,000.

Writing to the Fair Work Commission (FWC), lawyers acting for the Guild said Deloitte Access Economics health economics and social policy lead partner Lynne Pezzullo would give evidence, with relation to two reports, including one to be finalised by 29 Jun called 'The Modern Face of Weekend Work' and one completed last September, not yet publicly released.

Findings from the latter included that for the average pharmacy, trading hours had decreased by three hours per week, that the main area of stress for proprietors was penalty rates, rather than standard hourly rates, and that on average, pharmacists were paid

## Another Zovirax alt

FOLLOWING the retail level recall of GSK's Zovirax (aciclovir) eye ointment for herpes simplex virus infections of the cornea of the eye (PD 28 Oct 14), Medsurge had been able to supply an alternative from February (PD 26 Feb) and now HL Pharma have Virgan (ganciclovir) also available, the TGA has said.

In other TGA updates, Prostin F2 Alpha was discontinued by the sponsor Pfizer, but alternatives are available via the Special Access Scheme, while AstraZeneca has advised resolution of the shortage of supply of suxamethonium chloride 100mg/2mL injection BP ampoule, available through existing suppliers.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more.

between 40 to 60% over the award rate, the letter said.

The hearing is set for 08 to 25 Sep.

Professional Pharmacists Australia (PPA) ceo Chris Walton said the Guild was "mounting a challenge" on some basic rights and conditions of employee pharmacists, including reducing penalty rates and award conditions, in its FWC submissions.

The PPA was calling for prescription ratios per pharmacist and was currently conducting a survey of employee pharmacists to find the impact of losing penalty rates, to be launched this week, Walton said.

The PPA would outline its case to the Commission by 11 May, he said. [CLICK HERE](#) to read the letter.

## Pharmacy location request blocked

THE Administrative Appeals Tribunal of Australia has ruled that a request to locate a pharmacy in a shopping centre in Casula, NSW, be denied on the basis that the application does not meet the requirement of the shopping centre containing a supermarket, as defined by the Australian Community Pharmacy Authority Rules.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the decision.

## Ebola Centre to close

MINISTER for Foreign Affairs Julie Bishop has confirmed the Australian Ebola Treatment Centre (PD 11 Dec 14) will close by 30 Apr as the situation in West African countries stabilises.

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### Futuro Custom Dial Range

Futuro's Custom Dial Range of sport braces now includes the Custom Dial Wrist Stabiliser and the Custom Dial Tennis Elbow Strap. Both products incorporate what Futuro calls 'boa technology', which it says creates a glove-like fit with secure closure to ensure stability while allowing the user to dial-down or dial-up pressure as required during the course of the day.

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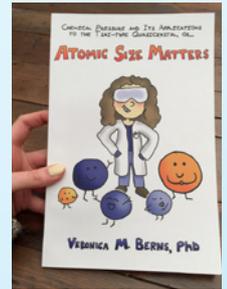


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If you're looking for a handy way to describe the molecular science behind pharmacy, you could take inspiration from Veronica



Berns, who doodled her way to a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Deciding that comics were the best way to explain her thesis on quasicrystals (yes, really a thing) to friends and family, Berns, now working as a chemist, produced a comic book called 'Atomic Size Matters' with plans to print a small batch, *Associated Press* reported.

Berns has raised US\$14,400 on Kickstarter for the print run, more than twice her \$5,965 goal.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the campaign.

RAINING cats and...worms?

We hope all our readers are keeping safe in this horrible weather, and can offer as (tiny) consolation the fact that at least it's not torrential downpours of worms, given the news that one town in Norway experienced a shower of several hundred earthworms last week, the *Independent* reports.

Apparently, it is thought the worms were lifted by winds, the publication reports.

Either someone's left it incredibly late with their April Fool's joke or the worms were a real occurrence, which does have historical precedence, given that fish, frogs, toads, jellyfish and spiders have been reported to have fallen from the heavens.



### Crampeze Pregnancy Leg Cramps

Crampeze Pregnancy Leg Cramps is formulated with viburnum opulus, which La Corium Health says may help relieve muscular cramps during pregnancy. In addition, Crampeze contains magnesium, which supports normal cardiovascular function and the development of healthy bones and teeth, as well as vitamin D which helps calcium absorption, the company says. Crampeze comes as sugar-free chewable tablets with strawberry flavouring.

Stockist: 1300 555 597

RRP: \$19.95

Website: [www.crampeze.com.au](http://www.crampeze.com.au)

### Zebra Sequin Makeup Purse and Brush Set

Make Me Up Zebra Sequin Makeup Purse and Brush Set contains four black makeup brushes including lip brush, blush brush, eyebrow brush and comb and shading brush, plus an applicator sponge. The set also includes a zebra sequined makeup purse suitable for any occasion. Make Me Up also offers the set in polka dot, sequin skulls and black ruffle.

Stockist: 1800 251 215

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### Olay Complete Care Night Cream

Olay Complete Care Night Cream has a non-greasy formula designed to work overnight to supplement the skin's natural ability to retain moisture, keeping the skin supple and reducing the risk of wrinkle formation, the company says. The product contains aloe vera, vitamin E, B3, and pro-vitamin B5.

Stockist: 1800 028 280

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