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launched a new "self management tool" which aims to improve healthcare outcomes for diabetes patients, including a national network of pharmacist providers.

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Today's issue of PD

Pharmacy Daily today has

two pages of news plus a full

page from Symbion-backed

Borneo conference

TIME is running out to register

conference, which is taking place

at the Shangri-La Rasa Ria Resort

for the upcoming Borneo Pharmacy

Pharmacy Choice.

The 'Patient Self-Management Solutions' system is claimed to reduce the cost of care for diabetes patients by about \$1,000 annually. It aims to enable pharmacists

to gain a "comprehensive understanding of their patients' ability to manage their diabetes... providers can then customise and effectively direct treatment in patient populations," said a spokesperson for the APhA.

FDA on board for CSL haemophilia A drug

CSL has announced on the ASX that the US Food and Drug Administration has accepted for review CSL Behring's Biologics License Application (BLA) for its novel investigational recombinant factor VIII single-chain (rVIIISingleChain) for the treatment of haemophilia A.

The condition affects one in every 6.000 male births and this review brings the only available treatment one step closer to broader access, said CSL's Dr Andrew Cuthbertson.

Incruse Ellipta AusPAR

AN AUSTRALIAN Public Assessment Report (AusPAR) has been posted for GlaxoSmithKline's Incruse Ellipta (umeclidinium bromide) - CLICK HERE to access.

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Further guidelines delay

THE Pharmacy Board of Australia has further postponed the introduction of new guidelines on Expiry of compounded parenteral medicines, after consultation with stakeholders and the TGA.

The Guidelines for compounding of medicines were implemented effective from 28 Apr with the exception of the parenteral medicines section which was delayed for 3 months (PD 12 Jun).

yesterday the Board said it was thankful for feedback from pharmacists and other attendees at stakeholder meetings held in Melbourne and Sydney, and has

HPA agreement soon

THE Health Profession Agreement (HPA) between the Pharmacy Board of Australia and the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency is being finalised, and will be released shortly according to a communiqué from the Board.

The HPA sets out the services that AHPRA will provide to support the Board to regulate pharmacists, as well as info on the Board's financial operations and fees.

Cancer deaths down

THE rate of deaths from cancer is dropping and looks to be continuing to slow according to a report released this week by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW).

Cancer mortality rates have generally decreased over time, with the rate from all cancers combined decreasing from 199 deaths per 100,000 people in 1968 to 167 per 100,000 in 2012.

Based on mortality trends projected forward, between 2013 and 2025 the death rate from all cancers is predicted to continue the overall downward trend from an estimated 214 to 183 deaths per 100,000 males, and from 135 to 120 deaths per 100,000 females.

At the same time, because of the ageing and increasing size of the population, actual numbers of deaths will increase in that time. CLICK HERE for the report.

agreed to "further develop the guidance in consultation with TGA and stakeholders during the next six months".

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At this stage a specific date to introduce the relevant guidance has not been finalised, with the implementation depending on the progress achieved over the coming months while the Board reviews and addresses input on the expiry of compounded sterile injectable medicines received to date.

In the meantime pharmacists compounding medicines are advised to refer to frequently asked questions on the Board website "and to meet their obligations outlined in relevant legislation and practice standards".

PD now on Android

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The app provides instant access to back issues and an automatic notification each day when the newsletter is published so you can be instantly updated.

The new Android app complements the previously released Apple iPhone version of the app which is also available free.



Blooms Camden cares



BLOOMS the Chemist in Camden NSW earlier this week took part in the official launch of a new residential wing at the local Carrington Care aged care facility.

The facility, named Paling Court, was formally unveiled by PM Tony Abbott on Mon, with a range of local dignitaries also in attendance. The opening is significant for Blooms the Chemist Camden because it will be expanding its in-house medication management and other health services to encompass the new wing.

Since late last year Blooms the Chemist, Camden has provided off-site packaging services of dose administration aids for patients

living at Carrington Care, but with the opening of Paling Court this will encompass a new "state-ofthe-art in-house blister packing service," according to pharmacy owner Bobby Afshari, who began practising in 2007 and bought the pharmacy in March 2013.

"Our staff are passionate about the local Camden community," Afshari said.

Pictured above from left at the opening of the facility are local state MP Chris Patterson; Bobby Afshan and Aneek Mollah, proprietors of Blooms the Chemist Camden; Camden mayor Lara Symkowiak; and Blooms the Chemist ceo Phil Smith.

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BI generics sale

BOEHRINGER Ingelheim has confirmed the sale of its US-based Roxane Laboratories specialty generics operation to Hikma Pharmaceuticals, in a deal worth US\$2.65 billion in cash and shares.



THERE was a potentially high energy spill in the north-eastern USA when a semitrailer full of maple syrup leaked all over the highway.

Rather than rushing for the pancakes, cleanup crews used large mops and kitty litter to "corral the mess," according to Associated Press.

A local police officer said about 1000 litres of the sweet stuff oozed onto Route 101, creating a potentially sticky situation for passing traffic.

HOW about this for a workplace relations dilemma?

A worker at iconic London department store Harrods is claiming £1 million in compensation after he was sacked for eating a piece of chocolate cake which a customer had rejected because it was too dry.

35-year-old Juan Mackenzie claims he simply tasted the slice of three-layer "Devil's Dog Cake" to confirm its texture just as it was about to be thrown into the rubbish, but other witnesses in an employment tribunal say he wolfed the whole thing down.

Mackenzie, who was born in Chile, is also claiming compensation for discrimination on the basis of his race, age and gender.

According to testimony in the hearing female colleagues apparently (and curiously) dubbed him the "Lithuanian mafia" and mocked him for being bald.

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