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Today's issue of PD

Pharmacy Daily today has two pages of news plus a full page from **Pharmacy 4 Less**.

NasoClear recall

HEALTH professionals are advised that Health World Limited, in consultation with the TGA, is recalling batch number 80789 of Metagenics NasoClear 30 mL nasal spray, expiry May 2018, due to some being contaminated with staphylococcus aureus.



Sep NCE registrations

FOUR new chemical entities (NCEs) were registered with the Therapeutic Goods Administration as prescription medicines during the month of Sep.

They are Empliciti (elotuzumab) from Bristol-Myers Squibb for multiple myeloma; Biogen's Zinbryta (daclizumab), a multiple sclerosis therapy; Idelvion (albutrepenonacog alfa) from CSL Behring for haemophilia treatment; and Ei Lilly's Talz (ixekizumab) for psoriasis.

Three products were registered for extensions of indications: Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin), Simponi (golimumab) and Alprolix (eftrenonacog alfa).

Innovative Pharmacist award

DR ALISON Roberts, the leader of the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia's Health Destination Pharmacy initiative, was last night named the 2016 Innovative Pharmacist of the Year at a gala event hosted by the UTS Sydney Graduate School of Health.

Roberts (pictured) is the PSA's Executive Director of Policy, Advocacy and Innovation, with the award recognising an individual who "embraces current challenges with intellectual rigour and curiosity to create solutions for industry, the pharmacy profession or the community".

PSA ceo Lance Emerson congratulated Dr Roberts, saying she had been a "passionate, inspirational and forwardthinking leader at the forefront

VPA guidelines

THE Victorian Pharmacy Authority has approved new guidelines, with changes including clarification of dispensary area requirements, the need to keep pseudoephedrine products out of direct sight of the public and facilities for immunisation services.

See pharmacy.vic.gov.au.

of innovation and change management for pharmacy over many years.

"Alison's expert leadership of Health Destination - and many other PSA initiatives - is a testament to her skills, dedication and ability to influence others to benefit the entire health sector".

AstraZeneca is the sponsor of the award which sees Roberts win a medal and \$5,000 towards further professional development.

The Health Destination Pharmacy program is now being scaled up, with 25 pharmacies already implementing the program nationally and plans for future expansion.

Metformin available

THE Therapeutic Goods
Administration has advised that
Diabex XR 500, Diaformin XR,
Diabex XR 1000 and Diaformin
XR 1000 metformin extended
release tablet blister packs are now
available.

The announcement follows recent shortages of metformin products (*PD* 01 Sep), with the TGA also now advising pharmacists that if they are unable to obtain metformin extended release products that are currently unavailable through their regular wholesaler, "they should contact an alternative wholesaler to try to secure stock".

Bexsero short in Bne

BRISBANE parents are struggling to find vaccine for meningococcal B, according to *ABC News*.

One mother of a three year old reportedly went to more than 12 pharmacies to find the GSK vaccine Bexsero, which is in short supply.





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Sector Sale on Magellan Round the World

CRUISE and Maritime Voyages (CMV) is offering some amazing fares on sectors of the upcoming Round the World voyage aboard the boutique 1250-passenger cruise ship Magellan.

CMV offers saving of up to 50% off some great itineraries, to give opportunities to join in the fun along the way.

The Magellan leaves from London on her 120-night journey around the globe on o5 Jan, 2017. For full details of specials, see your local travel agent or visit cmvaustralia.com/ship/magellan.

Fair Work to review rates

THE Fair Work Commission has this week confirmed a timeline for a review of pay rates for pharmacists, with the move in response to an application from Professional Pharmacists Australia (PPA).

The union group said employee pharmacists' work values were last assessed in mid-1998 and "there has been no consideration of the value of the work performed by pharmacists since then".

The Commission has directed that PPA file an outline of its case on or before 31 Oct including a summary of expert witnesses, with a further submission due by 13 Feb 2017.

HAC meds difficulties

THE Australian Commission of Safety and Quality in Health Care has posted a listing of hospital acquired complications (HAC) for which clinical risk mitigation strategies may reduce the risk of that complication occurring.

Among medication complications identified are drug related respiratory complications/ depression, haemorrhagic disorder due to circulating anticoagulants and hypoglycaemia.

CLICK HERE for the HAC list.

Any employee stakeholders can file formal responses by 07 Mar 2017, and PPA will then file submissions in reply by 12 Apr 2017.

PPA says "it is now time for the Fair Work Commission to reconsider the work value of pharmacists," with the application aiming to determine the "appropriate minimum rates of pay to be applied to the Award that covers pharmacists pay and conditions of employment".

Priceline \$1m target

PRICELINE Sisterhood Foundation today launches its second annual two-week fund-raising event aiming to almost double last year's effort and raise \$1m for the five charity partners it supports.

The Foundation says that 100% of funds raised are passed onto the charities: Alzheimer's Australia, Children First Foundation, Look Good Feel Better, Hear to Listen and Perinatal Anxiety and Depression Australia (PANDA).

All catalogue purchases in store or online contribute to the total.

Since the Sisterhood Foundation began in 2011, \$2.1 million has been raised for charity partners.

Dispensary Corner

VENOMOUS spider bite leads to painful priapism.

A family from Leicester in Britainhad their home fumigated to deal with an infestation of the world's most venomous spider (pictured) they say arrived in a bunch of bananas from their local store, according to BBC News.

They were thought to be Brazilian wandering spiders, a bite from which can cause an "extremely painful" four-hour long erection and possible death.

To rid the property of the spiders, a pest control firm heated the house up to 60°C to kill them.



UNIVERSITY students in the UK are being warned by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) of the possible dangers to their health from taking powerful prescription medicines to get higher marks.

Research has shown 14% of students sampled were likely to buy so-called 'smart drugs' within the next year.

The misuse of prescription-only medicines such as Modafinil, a selective, relatively weak, atypical dopamine reuptake inhibitor and Ritalin (methylphenidate) a central nervous system stimulant, remains prevalent despite repeated warnings against selfmedication.

Possible side effects of using 'cognitive enhancers' include risk of dependence, cardiovascular problems and psychosis, MHRA says, warning about the dangers of buying these products online.

in with MOR

This week Pharmacy Daily and MOR are giving away each day the Essentials Wash and Lotions in Black Iris valued at \$39.90.

memorable fragrances in an assortment of quality products to embrace everyday self-indulgence. The prize contains a hydrating Hand & Body Wash to leave skin cleansed and refreshed, complemented by a nourishing Hand & Body Lotion to moisturise and hydrate For more info visit morboutique.com.



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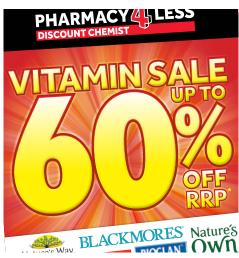
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