

## Stretchmarks CPD

**THE** Australian College of Pharmacy has launched a new free accredited CPD activity relating to the identification and treatment of stretchmarks.

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## Vaccination 'game-changer'

**THE** rapid national rollout of pharmacist vaccinations over the last two years has fundamentally changed public perceptions about the role of community pharmacy.

That's a key conclusion drawn by Guild executive director David Quilty in his regular *Forefront* update yesterday, where he said consumers were increasingly seeing their local community pharmacy as a broader health destination.

"Pharmacist vaccination now has a gathering momentum...a number of states and territories have expanded the scope, with Qld adding measles and whooping cough; South Australia has recently announced it is going further, by extending the vaccination authority for pharmacists to include measles,

mumps, rubella, whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus and polio... other states and territories are likely to follow suit," Quilty wrote.

He noted health insurers were beginning to subsidise pharmacist vaccinations, and hailed the work of the Guild and PSA in developing nationally accredited training.

Quilty said vaccinations in community pharmacies should be integrated into the broader health system, electronically recorded, uploaded into the Australian Immunisation Register and included on the My Health Record.

## Combo concerns

**THE** NSW Poisons Information Centre has recorded a ten-fold increase in calls about dosing errors relating to new combination paracetamol-ibuprofen pain relievers over the last 12 months.

Brands involved are Nuromol and Maxigesic, with common mistakes including adults accidentally exceeding the recommended dose by taking two tablets.

In most cases outcomes have not been serious, with just one patient referred to hospital.

## MBS consultation

**THE** Taskforce currently reviewing over 5,700 items covered by the Medicare Benefits Schedule has released its third round of recommendations for feedback.

There are 40 recommendations affecting over 170 items - along with proposed changes in relation to urgent after-hours primary care services, with review chairman Bruce Robinson saying Medicare growth in this area "does not seem to reflect patients' clinical needs".

More info at [mbsreview.com.au](http://mbsreview.com.au).

## Today's issue of PD

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



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## UQ-Emory biotech startup raises \$16m

**A CLINICAL-STAGE** biotechnology company established by The University of Queensland (UQ) and Emory University, based in Atlanta, Georgia, to develop novel cancer supportive care and anticancer therapies has raised US\$16 million in series A investment.

The university said the investment from the Brandon Capital-managed Medical Research Commercialisation Fund and Uniseed will enable the company, called QUE Oncology, to develop its leading drug candidate Q-122 and progress its preclinical pipeline.

UQ Vice-Chancellor and President Professor Peter Høj said QUE's success was built on the strong relationship between the two universities.

"UQ and Emory share many research synergies, particularly in the development of treatments for cancer, and we are proud that we have been able to work together to facilitate this landmark investment," Høj said.

A recently completed phase 1b clinical trial of Q-122 undertaken by QUE saw some participants report a 100 per cent reduction in hot flash incidents.

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## Excellence awards now open

**THE** Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) has opened nominations for the 2017 PSA Excellence Awards, in the lead-up to the Society's flagship PSA17 conference next month.

Symbion is supporting the awards with categories including Pharmacist of the Year, Early Career Pharmacist of the Year and the Lifetime Achievement Award.

The winners will receive a \$9,000 educational grant from Symbion, with PSA national president Joe Demarte saying the longstanding awards program honoured innovative pharmacists who have achieved the highest standards of commitment and professionalism in pharmacy.

"The Excellence Awards highlight what is great about pharmacy and how pharmacists are striving to make the profession even greater," Demarte said.

Brett Barons, Symbion executive general manager of pharmacy, said the awards recognised individuals

who have contributed above and beyond their roles to benefit the entire profession.

"Pharmacists at all levels of the profession and their career are inspired and motivated by the annual Excellence Awards, which ultimately ensures innovation and professionalism," Barons added.

The winners will be announced on Fri 28 Jul during PSA17, which is this year being hosted jointly with the Commonwealth Pharmacists Association in Sydney.

More info at [psa.org.au](http://psa.org.au).

### Generics summary

**THE** Therapeutic Goods Administration has published an annual summary for 2016 detailing all generic and biosimilar prescription medicines registered in Australia last year.

The report includes the trade name, sponsor and active ingredient for each medicine - for details see [www.tga.gov.au](http://www.tga.gov.au).

## PATY nominee record

**THE** 2017 Pharmacy Guild of Australia/ Maxigesic Pharmacy Assistant of the Year (PATY) Award has received more nominations than ever before, with self-nominations still open until 16 Jun.

Guild national president, George Tambassis, said it was terrific to see over 600 nominations so far, and counting.

"It's great to see so many owners, pharmacists, managers, colleagues and customers recognise the work of dedicated pharmacy assistants throughout Australia," he said.

The national winner will receive a \$5,000 cash prize and a Guild training course, among other great rewards while state finalists and winners will be eligible for prizes too.

Go to [pharmacyassistants.com](http://pharmacyassistants.com).

## Connect cannabis

**THE** Pharmacy Guild has announced that Professor Nick Lintzeris of the Lambert Initiative for Cannabinoid Therapeutics at Sydney University will be a presenter at this year's Pharmacy Connect conference.

The session will provide an understanding of the key medicinal element, the cannabinoids, as well as an overview of the current market for medicinal cannabis in Australia.



## Allergic rhinitis online

**GUILD** Learning and Development has partnered with GlaxoSmithKline in the development of the online module for pharmacy assistants titled *Pharmacy Health Solutions: Allergic Rhinitis*.

The course will educate pharmacy assistants on the nature of allergic rhinitis and its causes and assist them to provide information to customers about the medicines that are available to treat this common health condition.

To enrol visit [guild.org.au](http://guild.org.au).



## Prostate health videos

**A NEW** prostate health campaign has been launched to encourage men experiencing symptoms of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH) to seek advice from their health professional about treatment.

The *Disappearing Dave* awareness campaign, a series of videos featuring Dave, a character who is continuously interrupted by urinary symptoms caused by his enlarged prostate, focuses on urinary urgency and frequency to highlight how the condition can hinder everyday activities.

Pharmacists can direct patients to [disappearingdave.com.au](http://disappearingdave.com.au) to learn more about BPH and to take a two-minute questionnaire to assess symptom severity.

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### Dispensary Corner

**DRINKING** while driving is definitely dangerous - but usually the injuries aren't caused by the alcohol containers themselves.

A 58-year-old Californian woman died last week after being flung from a golf cart and being impaled on the shards of two wine glasses she was holding.

According to the California Highway Patrol, she was being driven by her partner in an E-Z-GO golf cart on a private olive orchard in a small town near Sacramento.

After the vehicle made a turn near the end of the orchard the woman was "unable to stabilise herself" and was thrown out.

The glasses shattered and she fell on the fragments, dying at the scene shortly thereafter.

Her partner was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence, the police said.

#### SICK of studying pharmacy?

You can now get a degree in fiery Chinese liquor, with the maker of Moutai, the country's national drink, set to establish its own university.

The state-run Kweichow Moutai company says it will open the new educational establishment in the city of Renhuai in Guangzhou province, and is just awaiting formal accreditation from the Ministry of Education according to the *South China Morning Post*.

The courses, which will take up to 600 students, include wine-making, food quality and food safety on the new campus which aims to redress a skills shortage in the Chinese liquor industry.

Moutai is so popular as a bribe in China that sales plummeted up to 30% during a corruption crackdown in 2014.

## New GuildCare POTY criteria

**GUILDLINK** has announced plans to "go bigger and better" for the 2018 GuildCare Pharmacy of the Year awards, with new judging criteria and finalists to be named from

each Australian state and territory.

All current and future GuildCare users are eligible to win, and because the Australian Pharmacy Professional (APP) conference next year takes place in early May, the 2018 GuildCare Pharmacy of the Year Awards will be judged on use of the GuildCare platform between 01 May 2017 and 30 Apr 2018.

"Judging will be based on both the breadth and volume of Professional Services conducted...the more services you conduct the more points you will gain," GuildLink said.

Each professional service within the platform has been given a value from 0.5 through to 2 points, and at the end of the judging period these will tally to determine the winner.

Finalists will be announced in early Feb, feeding into the overall

winner which will be confirmed on the opening night of APP2018 on Thu 03 May 2018.

As well as the points-based competition, all GuildCare users will be

eligible to be considered for the category prizes of '2018 GuildCare Rural Pharmacy Champion' and '2018 GuildCare Most Improved Professional Services Provider'.



### PBS transitions

**THE** Department of Health has confirmed transitional arrangements for the deletion of fluticasone + vilanterol 100 and 200 microgram products (items 10199T and 10166D) from the PBS Schedule effective 01 Jun 2017.

The items are being replaced by fluticasone furoate + vilanterol (items 11124L and 11129R) but the Department of Human Services will honour existing prescriptions for the deleted items for a period of 12 months - see [pbs.gov.au](http://pbs.gov.au).

## WIN WITH DESIGNER BRANDS

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Makeup Remover won best makeup Remover and the Spray and Set Makeup Setting Spray took out the best new tool. **CLICK HERE** for more.

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

What three hydrating ingredients are included in the DB Spray and Set Setting Spray?

Congratulations to yesterday's winner, Kristy-Lee Albrecht from the University of Western Australia.



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