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Today's issue of PD

Pharmacy Daily today has two pages of news plus a front cover wrap from Nicotinell a full page from Sigma Healthcare.

That's Real Chemistry



TERRYWHITE Chemmart pharmacy group has launched its latest brand campaign titled "That's Real Chemistry" to roll out across its more than 450 community pharmacies in Australia.

Chief Operating Officer Duncan Phillips said the brand positioning of "That's Real Chemistry" provided TerryWhite Chemmart with a point of difference, all part of the Group's long-term plan to elevate the brand in the pharmacy industry.

"We know that it's our Masterclass trained pharmacists that differentiates us, not just for their training but also for the educated caring advice that they provide to their patients and their communities.

"Real Chemistry' is about care, about providing interactions, not just transactions."

Business certainty pledge

HEALTH Minister Greg Hunt (pictured) has given timely reassurance to pharmacies across Australia to provide additional certainty for community pharmacy small businesses in his key address to the Pharmacy Guild of Australia's national conference APP2019.



The Guild welcomed the new measures he announced especially referencing the Government's commitment to retaining the current level of the prescription Administration, Handling and Infrastructure (AHI) fee indexed through to mid-2023, at a cost of around \$200 million.

In other measures to support community pharmacy Hunt also:

- Announced a significant improvement in PBS payment timeframes that, from Apr, will see pharmacies reimbursed for PBS prescriptions within two to nine days of dispensing, rather than the current nine to 16 days.

- Committed a re-elected Morrison Government to an early negotiation of the next Community Pharmacy Agreement by the end of this year.

- Committed to working through

COAG to ensure pharmacies are given access to National Immunisation Program vaccination stocks in all States and Territories.

- Announced a \$5 million mental health pharmacy trial across three States.

The AHI commitment means that the one-off AHI supplement introduced as part of the Pharmacy Compact in 2017 will not expire when the current Agreement ends in Jun 2020.

The AHI, currently \$4.04 per prescription, includes the supplementary amount of 36 cents.

Guild National President George Tambassis, said the announcements were particularly welcome for community pharmacies and would provide additional certainty and improved cashflow, building on the Government's welcome removal of the sunset clause in the Location Rules.

Tambassis also welcomed the Minister's assurance that under his watch there would be no change to the moratorium on locating pharmacies within supermarkets.

Fake pharmacist

THE Local Court of New South Wales yesterday adjourned the sentencing of David Le of Sydney City Pharmacy to 27 Mar 2019 following charges laid by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).

Le pleaded guilty to charges that while suspended, he still claimed to be a registered pharmacist.

In Aug 2017 the Pharmacy Council of New South Wales had suspended Le's registration after it was determined that a suspension was appropriate for the protection of the health or safety of the public.

Complete PBS NRT

NICOTINELL now offers pharmacists counselling smokers wanting to quit a comprehensive package, all available on the PBS.

As the only brand that has gum and lozenge oral formats funded on the PBS, Nicotinell gives pharmacists complete flexibility to adapt to a wide variety of patient needs using a cascade of lozenges, gum and patch.

Visit the Nicotinell stand at APP2019 - stand 278-280 and see the **front full page wrap** for more.

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Dispensary Corner

WHILE a number of mysteries about the future of pharmacy are being sorted this week at APP2019 on the Gold Coast, there's another mystery that many are disappointed to learn may also have been solved.

The mystery of the elusive Loch Ness Monster may have a simple answer, if you believe it.

After years of study by naturalists, scientists and sceptics, it has now been shown to probably not exist, which may prove inconvenient for the Scottish economy to the tune of around £41m a year.

The Loch Ness Monster problem is a classic in that it is harder to prove something doesn't exist, than it is to prove it does - eg., the multiple gods we name, fairies, yetis and more.

At last, after many years of investigation, Nessie fever may now have a vaccine - it's accepting that the sightings are of the wels catfish, the second-biggest freshwater fish in the world - but then, do you still believe that?

STILL in Scotland for this one: be careful how you place signs in your retail store. Superdrug chain's

Stirling branch, mid Scotland, put up Mother's Day signs through the store to celebrate the love and sacrifice so often associated with motherhood.

Awkward - because some of the signs were across shelves displaying bottles of Durex Play 2 in 1 Massage Sensual.



Naloxone PBS dispensary call

VICTORIAN community pharmacist Angelo Pricolo has called on the Federal Government to improve access to the life-saving overdose drug naloxone by allowing pharmacists to dispense it directly under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) without the need for a separate script from a doctor.

Currently pharmacists can dispense naloxone as a Schedule 3 medicine, with the patient bearing the full cost, approximately \$80.

However, if a doctor writes a prescription for naloxone it can be dispensed under PBS funding.

Pricolo is the Chair of the Harm Minimisation session at the APP2019 conference.

He was instrumental in securing the down-scheduling of naloxone in 2016 to improve access for patients.

Pricolo said he wants to hear details of how the government will utilise pharmacy to help roll out the broader accessibility of naloxone in the newly funded two-year trial take-home plan (PD 01 Mar).

LiveLife dual intern awards

THE LiveLife Pharmacy Group is celebrating the accolades of two of its early career pharmacists who have both concurrently been awarded the national Intern Pharmacists of the Year awards.

Yeppoon based pharmacist, Angelica Lagoda, was awarded the PSA Intern Pharmacist of the Year award at PSA18 in Sydney last Jul and Port Douglas based pharmacist David Paulmert has just



been awarded the Guild's Intern Pharmacist of the Year this week at APP2019.

Pictured are Intern Pharmacists of the Year David Paulmert and Angelica Lagoda.

Over 65s NIP vaccine

THE Department of Health's Chief Medical Officer has released a statement confirming that a high-dose influenza vaccine will be available to over 65s for this season even though Sanofi's Fluzone will not be (PD Wed).

Enhanced trivalent vaccine Fludac from Seqirus is being funded on the NIP budget this year.

Mon's **Pharmacy Daily** will have more information about the vaccines available this year.

See more at beta.health.gov.au.

Events Calendar

WELCOME to *Pharmacy Daily's* events calendar, opportunities to earn CPE and CPD points.

If you have an upcoming event you'd like us to feature, email info@pharmacydaily.com.au.

22 - 24 Mar: NSW/ACT Annual Therapeutic Update 2019; Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley; register at: www.psa.org.au/atu

22 - 24 Mar: SHPA Foundation Seminar in Clinical Medication Management; Novotel Brisbane; for more info and to register visit: www.shpa.org.au

27 Apr: Diabetes Expo 2019; Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre; register here: www.diabetes-expo.org.au

04 - 05 May: Pharmeducation Clinical Update Seminar; Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach, Sydney; for details visit: www.pharmeducation.com.au

Win with Banana Boat

Everyday this week Pharmacy Daily and Banana Boat are giving away a Simply Protect prize pack including the Banana Boat Simply Protect Sports Lotion 180ml (RRP of \$16.99) and Banana Boat Simply Protect Kids Lotion 180ml (RRP of \$16.99).

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Does the new Banana Boat Simply Protect range provide the same UVA/UVB protection as the rest of the range?

Congratulations to yesterday's winner, Chelsea Millward.





AMCAL & GUARDIAN AWARDS GALA

Honouring Top Australian Pharmacies

Some of the country's top pharmacies were honoured on Wednesday night at the annual Amcal and Guardian Retail Conference Gala Awards Dinner on the Gold Coast. The big winners of the night include **Amcal+ Kempsey-NSW** taking home 'Amcal Pharmacy of the Year' and **Warners Bay Guardian Pharmacy- NSW** named as 'Guardian Pharmacy of the Year'. 'Our pharmacies play a pivotal role in providing health solutions to our community. That is why we recognise their contributions to the brands and communities they serve. We are pleased to be able to celebrate their achievements at this year's Retail Conference awards night' said Brian Tomlin, General Manager Retail (Amcal and Guardian)

Other award winners on the night included:

Guardian Community Engagement Pharmacy of the Year
Clermont Pharmacy- QLD

Amcal Community Engagement Pharmacy of the Year
Strathalbyn Amcal Pharmacy- SA

Amcal Professional Services Pharmacy of the Year
Donnybrook Pharmacy- WA

Amcal Retail Manager of the Year
Sally McGrath- Nagel's Pharmacy- VIC

Guardian Retail Manager of the Year
Tania Malachowski- Rangeway Pharmacy- WA

Amcal Pharmacy Assistant of the Year
Kyarna Trigwell- Donnybrook Pharmacy- WA

Guardian Pharmacy Assistant of the Year
Ellie McAllister- Bellerive Quay Pharmacy- TAS

The awards were part of the 2-day Amcal and Guardian Retail Conference which included a mix of professional and industry speakers, retail workshops, plenary sessions and supplier exhibits.

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