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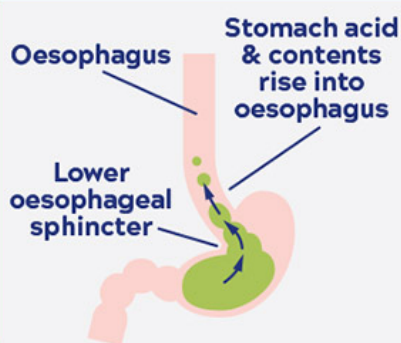


Chewy QUICK-EZE Icy Mint Flavour provides rapid relief from the burning pain of Heartburn & Acid Indigestion

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

1

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2

Acid irritates the oesophagus & causes Heartburn, often described as a burning feeling in the throat & chest



3

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## Today's issue of PD

*Pharmacy Daily* today features three pages of news, a front cover page from Nestle, plus full pages from:

- TerryWhite Chemmart
- Nova Pharmaceuticals

## Give heartburn icy treatment

**CHEWY** Quick-Eze heartburn relief is now available in a new Icy Mint flavour.

Containing 800mg of calcium carbonate per tablet the tablets neutralise stomach acid caused by indigestion.

See today's cover page for more information.

## Bubs & Co at PBC Expo

**PHARMACISTS** can learn more about Nova Pharmaceuticals' Bubs & Co teething gel at the Pregnancy, Babies and Children Expo at the Sydney Showground from 14 to 16 May.

See page five for more.

## Growth or your money back: TWC

**TERRYWHITE** Chemmart (TWC) is promising to refund new members' core fees if they do not see their annual gross profit dollars grow by more than the first year's fees.

The group aims to deliver high value to pharmacy owners and make a positive difference to their stores within their first year as a TWC pharmacy.

Check out TWC's Performance Promise on page four for more information.

# Veteran pharmacist barred for year

A NSW-BASED pharmacist with more than 40 years' experience will be unable to hold registration for at least 12 months after being found guilty of professional misconduct in relation to his failure to properly maintain the dangerous drugs register at the pharmacy he was working in.

A Civil and Administrative Tribunal of NSW, heard that between 01 Jan 2017 and 03 Sep 2018, more than 12,000 tablets of oxycodone and alprazolam were "unaccounted for and were possibly lost, stolen or diverted", while John Negus was one of two pharmacists in charge at the Erina Heights Chemist Outlet.

Between the same dates, Negus was also found to have failed to change his password to the electronic dangerous drugs record, despite knowing it was accessible by others in the pharmacy.

On 10 Sep 2018 the Pharmaceutical Regulatory Unit (PRU) inspected the pharmacy, identifying discrepancies in the dangerous drugs register, and submitted a complaint to the Pharmacy Council of NSW, three days later.

The Tribunal heard that on or before 24 Aug 2018, Negus had



failed to appropriately store ritalin and targin at the pharmacy, which had been dispensed to two patients, while around the same time targin was inappropriately dispensed for a recently deceased patient.

The PRU investigation also found that on 08 Dec 2014 Negus had dispensed 12 tablets of sildenafil 50mg with two repeats to another patient, in excess of what had been prescribed - four tablets of sildenafil 25mg with five repeats.

The Tribunal noted that there was "no suggestion that Negus

himself, stole or diverted drugs", before issuing its ruling, while also acknowledging that the pharmacist had made it clear that he "understands his wrongdoing and is contrite".

The Tribunal noted that Negus is no longer registered as a health practitioner, but ordered he should not be entitled to apply for registration as a pharmacist for a period of one year from 04 May.

Negus has also been ordered to pay one-third of the NSW Health Care Complaints Commission's legal costs.

## CWH on NSW watchlist

**CUSTOMERS** who visited Chemist Warehouse (CWH) in Double Bay between 3.45 and 4pm on 04 May are being urged to get tested for COVID-19 and self-isolate until NSW Health provide further information, following a recent "mystery case" in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs.

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## Bump in GP COVAX doses welcomed

**PROMISES** to increase the number of doses of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine (COVAX) that GP clinics will receive each week are being welcomed by medical and pharmacy organisations alike.

The Federal Government's decision to immediately increase the minimum number of doses GPs will receive from 50 to 150 a week, has been described as "a positive step forward" by Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) President, Dr Karen Price.

"This is fantastic news because there are many general practices across Australia crying out for more COVID-19 vaccine doses," she said.

"This increased dose allocation means that those practices with the capacity to do so can ramp up their rollout operations and get more jabs in arms with less delay.

"[The] announcement is not a perfect panacea and the RACGP will continue to advocate for

general practices that have faced significant challenges during the vaccine rollout, as well as the patients they treat."

Under the new rollout plan, GP clinics that were receiving 100 doses a week will now get 200.

Welcoming the move to boost supplies to GPs, a Pharmacy Guild of Australia spokesperson told **Pharmacy Daily** that the Government should move to approve pharmacies that have been deemed suitable to be vaccine sites immediately.

"The decision to increase COVID-19 vaccination doses to GPs is a welcome sign that supply issues have been resolved and so the Government should immediately begin distributing doses to pharmacies," the spokesperson said.

"The Guild will continue to work with government to help ensure pharmacies get the required number of doses to meet demand in the communities they serve."



Australian Medical Association President, Dr Omar Khorshid, praised the decision to boost vaccine allocations to GPs, describing them as "the backbone of Australia's COVAX program".

"It is important for people to be able to discuss the benefits and risks of vaccination, including any concerns they may have about the very rare instances of blood clots, and GPs are there to help patients to make well-informed decisions about whether or not they should be vaccinated," he said.

## Get sporting fix at APP 2021

**DELEGATES** at the Australian Pharmacy Professional Conference (APP) will get to rub shoulders with sports stars when they hit the Gold Coast later this month.

The annual event will see appearances from four Olympic champions, Anna Meares, Steven Bradbury, Sally Pearson and Giaan Rooney, as well as former Australian Cricket Captain, Michael Clarke, ex-Brisbane Lions Brownlow and Norm Smith medalist, Simon Black, and ironman, Guy Leech, during the four-day conference.

APP Convenor, Kos Sclavos, paid tribute to the inspirational nature of Meares' and Bradbury's achievements in overcoming "incredible challenges and injury on their way to Olympic gold".

**CLICK HERE** to see the full APP program.

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## Dispensary Corner

**TELEHEALTH** has played a crucial role in enabling patients to retain access to medical advice during the COVID-19 pandemic, and it's not just the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners who want it to be implemented permanently.

Californian veterinarians and pet owners are taking legal action to ensure the State's legislators facilitate Zoom tele-consults for cats and dogs after the pandemic.

In a lawsuit filed by the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals contended that vets and pet owners have a "First Amendment free speech right to telemedicine".



## Time to grasp COVID opportunities

**PHARMACISTS** are being urged to ensure they take advantage of the elevated profile the profession has gained during the COVID-19 pandemic to reimagine roles and pharmacy practice.

A scoping review of global pharmacists' roles and services as a response to the COVID-19 crisis, published in *Pharmacist Services II*, by researchers from the University of Alberta, called on pharmacists to "build on the lessons and experiences of this global pandemic and not let the momentum of the visible and invisible changes [in practice] go to waste".

"Changes in the work of pharmacists associated with the COVID-19 pandemic set the stage for monitoring long-lasting professional role changes and understanding evolving professional identities," the authors said.

"COVID-19 catalysed the necessity for pharmacists to perform public health roles to increase the available healthcare resources and personnel (e.g. COVID-19 screening, testing, and public health messaging).

"Pharmacists were also integrated in other public health initiatives such as reporting domestic violence as pharmacies were recognised as a community hub and safe haven, where victims of domestic violence could use a [specific] codeword with a pharmacist at the counter of a pharmacy to report domestic abuse or violence, even with their abuser present.

"Pharmacists' skills in critical appraisal of evidence were accelerated to meet the overwhelming need to provide accurate and informative guidance to patients, other healthcare providers and the general public.



"While none of these roles were new for pharmacists, the creative methods and public visibility of these roles was altered.

"Pharmacists were using resourceful methods to deliver public health advice and health information."

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## Morris key to NPS

### OUTGOING NPS

MedicineWise CEO, Steve Morris, has played a key role in driving the Australia's Quality Use of Medicines agenda, Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) National President, Associate Professor Chris Freeman believes.

Freeman said that Morris had created a more collaborative environment during his tenure.

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Tanya Maloney, Pharmacy Owner at TWC Coffs Harbour, NSW



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