

# **HEALTH ALERT**

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# JUDGMENTS

## Victoria

24 June 2016 - *Inquest into the death of Graeme John Jennings* - On 17 April 2012, Mr Jennings was involved in a quad bike accident at his farm. He attended hospital later that evening and was subsequently admitted under the bed card of Mr Kamenjarin, consultant surgeon and appointed supervisor of surgical trainees, the following morning. During his admission, Mr Jennings was managed by the surgical team whose more junior members became aware of elevated and rising blood test results. These were not conveyed to Mr Kamenjarin because the team considered them to be consistent with a pre-existing condition alongside the trauma associated with the accident. On 20 April, Mr Kamenjarin authorised Mr Jennings discharge. Four days later, on 24 April, Mr Jennings was re-admitted to hospital suffering from severe septicaemia. In spite of active treatment, Mr Jennings condition continued to deteriorate and he died in the early hours of 26 April.

The Coroner found that Mr Kamenjarin should have 'proactively made enquiries as to what investigations had been undertaken' prior to authorising Mr Jennings discharge from his first admission. Had he done so, he would have been informed of the abnormal blood test results the significance of which he, of his own admission, would have appreciated and commenced intravenous anti-biotic management. The Coroner was convinced that this 'more likely than not' would have halted or reversed the development of the infection. The Coroner concluded that the omissions in the management of Mr Jennings during the first admission, at each level of the chain of command, were causal and/or contributing factors to his death.

#### **New South Wales**

29 June 2016 - *Health Care Complaints Commission v Singh* [2016] NSWCATOD 85 - HEALTH PRACTITIONER REGULATION NATIONAL LAW – Where disciplinary proceedings instituted against a medical practitioner – where practitioner has left the jurisdiction and has not been served with the initiating application – where practitioner's registration is suspended. Consideration of whether proceedings should be adjourned sine die or withdrawn

29 June 2016 - *Burggraaff v Health Care Complaints Commission* [2016] NSWCATOD 84 - HEALTH PRACTITIONER REGULATION LAW – Where former Nursing and Midwifery Tribunal of NSW imposed conditions on practitioner's registration – where no 'appropriate review body' nominated in former Tribunal's order. HELD appropriate for the review to be conducted by the Council rather than the Tribunal.

28 June 2016 - *Smithson v Medical Council of New South Wales* [2016] NSWCATOD 82 - PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE – Application by former psychiatrist for re-registration – where former Medical Tribunal of NSW found practitioner guilty of professional misconduct – boundary violation and impairment. Where applicant asserts he is no longer impaired. Where applicant concedes if re-registered his registration should be subject to conditions. HELD appropriate to make re-instatement order.

28 June 2016 - *Health Care Complaints Commission v Elliott* [2016] NSWCATOD 83 - HEALTH PRACTITIONER REGULATION NATIONAL LAW – Where HCCC have lodged disciplinary proceedings with the Tribunal – where personal service has not been effected on the respondent – where appropriate to make an order for substituted service.

24 June 2016 - Sorbello v South Western Sydney Local Health Network; Sultan v South Western Sydney Local Health Network [2016] NSWSC 863 - Joseph suffered severe injury as the result of oxygen deprivation during his birth in 2008. He now requires lifetime care and has a significantly shortened life expectancy. Proceedings brought in negligence against the South Western Sydney Local Health Network (the Network) recently settled. In these proceedings, Joseph's parents pursue damages for nervous shock.

Prior to the hearing, the Network admitted that it owed Joseph's parents a duty of care; that it breached that duty; and that its breaches had caused some damage. The court accepted from the outset that both parents were severely shocked when they came to realise the extent of Joseph's injuries. However, the evidence established that they dealt in entirely different ways with the consequences of those injuries. The issues that remained in dispute therefore differed between the parents. So far as the mother was concerned, the issue was the nature of her psychiatric injury given the experts' competing views and the

resultant quantification of her past and future damages. In regards to the father, the issue was whether he had suffered any psychiatric injury or damage at all and if he had, its past and future quantification.

The Court found in favour of the parents. The parties agreed to calculate damages, in accordance with the Court's conclusions on how they should be assessed, once the judgment was given.

24 June 2016 - *Stefanyszyn v Brown; Brown v Newcastle Private Hospital Pty Limited t/as Newcastle Private Hospital (No 2)* [2016] NSWSC 898 - COSTS – indemnity costs order sought -Calderbank offer – whether offer involved a genuine compromise - whether rejection of offer was unreasonable – no departure from usual costs order

24 June 2016 - *Shehabi v Attorney General (NSW)* [2016] NSWCATAP 137 - CLINICAL TRIAL – whether study's use of a drug outside its approved product information is determinative of whether study is a 'clinical trial' under the Guardianship Act 1987 (NSW) – use of drug beyond TGA Product Information not determinative

24 June 2016 - *Giri v Sydney Local Health District* [2016] NSWIRComm 1027 - UNFAIR DISMISSAL – refusal to comply with lawful and reasonable directions – no justification – dismissal not unfair – application dismissed

#### Queensland

16 May 2016 - *Office of the Health Ombudsman v Costello* [2016] QCAT 117 - PROFESSIONS AND TRADES - HEALTH PRACTITIONER - unregistered health practitioner – referral by health ombudsman – sexual misconduct with patient – prohibition order – nature of order discussed – whether perpetual in effect – whether future review of matter available – costs

# Tasmania

29 June 2016 - *Pardo v Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency* [2016] TASSC 31 - Administrative Law – Judicial review – Powers of courts under judicial review legislation – Stay of proceedings and interlocutory relief – Application to summarily dismiss application to review – Failure by applicant for review to identify in her application any specific decision, conduct or failure to make decision sought to be reviewed – Decision or failure to make a decision identified during hearing not a reviewable decision – Relief claimed not relief Court had power to grant.

#### Western Australia

23 June 2016 - *Wright v Minister for Health* [2016] WADC 93 - Medical negligence - Widely accepted practice - Failure to perform surgery - Delay in surgery

# LEGISLATION

As a general rule, this bulletin tracks subsidiary legislation at Commonwealth, but not at state level

#### Commonwealth

1 July 2016 - National Health (Efficient Funding of Chemotherapy) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 7) (PB 61 of 2016) - F2016L01132 as made

30 June 2016 - National Health (Multiple Hospitals Paperless Claiming Trial) Special Arrangement 2016 (PB 59 of 2016) - F2016L01106 as made

29 June 2016 - Private Health Insurance (Complying Product) Amendment Rules 2016 (No. 3) - F2016L01102 as made

29 June 2016 - Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) Amendment Rules 2016 (No. 4) - F2016L01101 as made

28 June 2016 - National Health (Efficient Funding of Chemotherapy) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 6) (PB No. 56 of 2016) - F2016L01092 as made

28 June 2016 - National Health (IVF Program) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 1) (PB 58 of 2016) - F2016L01093 as made

28 June 2016 - National Health (Highly specialised drugs program) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 6) (PB 55 of 2016) - F2016L01091 as made

23 June 2016 - National Health (Listed drugs on F1 or F2) Amendment Determination 2016 (No. 6) (PB 57 of 2016) - F2016L01068 as made

22 June 2016 - National Health Determination under paragraph 98C(1)(b) Amendment 2016 (No. 5) (PB 53 of 2016) - F2016L01058 as made

22 June 2016 - National Health (Listing of Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 6) (PB 52 of 2016) - F2016L01056 as made

22 June 2016 - National Health (Pharmaceutical benefits – early supply) Amendment Instrument 2016 (No. 5) (PB 54 of 2016) - F2016L01055 as made

#### Western Australia

*Health Services Act 2016* - Rest of the Act (other than sections 1, 2, 6, 7, 32, 238, 244 and 245 which have already commenced and sections 301(2), (3), (6) and (7) and 307(j) which remain to commence) - on 1 July 2016 the day fixed by proclamation under section 2(b): see Gazette 109, 24 June 2016, p 2291.

## REPORTS

#### Australia. Department of Health

Media releases

Private Health insurance Circulars

1 July 2016 - PHI 49/16 - New Private Hospital Information

29 June 2016 - PHI 48/16 - Changes to Second Tier Eligible Hospitals

29 June 2016 - PHI 47/16 - Changes to the Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) and (Complying Product) Rules

29 June 2016 - PHI 46/16 - Prostheses List Cost Recovery Implementation Statement

28 June 2016 - PHI 45/16 - Re-declaration Public Hospital Information

Consultation

28 June 2016 - **Pre-submission pilot feedback** - The TGA introduced pilot changes to the presubmission phase of the prescription medicines registration process. Participation for the pilot is open for all Type A (New Chemical and New Biological Entities and Biosimilars) and Type D (New Generic Medicines) applications accompanied by a validated AU specification version 3.0 eCTD. Runs from 28 June 2016 to 29 July 2016.

#### Australia. National E-Health Transition Authority (NEHTA)

24 June 2016 - The Clinical Terminology June v20160630 Release is now available for download - The Clinical Terminology June v20160630 Release is now available for download from the NEHTA website.

23 June 2016 - NEHTA Software Developer Community announcement - Updates of Sample Code Libraries for Clinical Documents, Secure Messaging and My Health Record system - NEHTA Integration Products are pleased to announce the publication of maintenance updates for the following sample code libraries.

20 June 2016 - NEHTA Software Developer Community Announcement - Personal Health Notes, Advance Care Document Custodian and Personal Health Summary - NEHTA has published updates to the following consumer end products.

20 June 2016 - NEHTA Releases Version 6 of the eHealth Integration Sample Code - NEHTA Integration Products is pleased to announce this version of the eHealth Integration Sample Code lets you

upload pathology and diagnostic imaging reports to the My Health Record system without needing to generate CDA<sup>™</sup> documents.

#### Australia. Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and the boards (AHPRA)

1 July 2016 - Revised PII standard for all chiropractors takes effect from today - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - Revised PII standard for all dental practitioners takes effect from today - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - **Revised PII standard for all medical radiation practitioners takes effect from today** - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - **Revised PII standard for all osteopaths takes effect from today** - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - **Revised PII standard for pharmacists takes effect from today** In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - **Revised PII standard for all physiotherapists takes effect from today** - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - Revised PII standard for all podiatrists and podiatric surgeons takes effect from today - In December 2015, the Board published a revised registration standard for professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that takes effect from today.

1 July 2016 - **Overseas-qualified dental specialist applications - important changes** - From 1 July 2016, the Board will assess all applications from overseas-qualified applicants for specialist registration.

1 July 2016 - **New entry-level competencies for dental specialists** - The Board has published new entry-level competencies for dental specialists.

1 July 2016 - **Revised registration standards for limited registration take effect from today** - Revised registration standards for the four types of limited registration available under the National Law take effect from today.

1 July 2016 - Newsletter from the National Board - The Medical Board of Australia releases its latest newsletter.

29 June 2016 - Newsletter from the National Board - The Pharmacy Board of Australia releases its latest newsletter.

27 June 2016 - Communiqué from the Board - The Pharmacy Board of Australia releases its latest communiqué.

27 June 2016 - Tribunal reprimands psychologist for failure to maintain professional boundaries - A psychologist has been reprimanded by the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal for failing to maintain professional boundaries.

27 June 2016 - **Quarterly registration data released** - The National Nursing and Midwifery Board has released its quarterly registration data.

Australia. National Health & Medical Research Council

24 June 2016 - NHMRC Research Tracker

#### Australia. Pharmaceutical Benefits Schedule (PBS)

24 June 2016 - **PBS Hospital Medication Charts** - The PBS Hospital Medication Chart Project aims to improve the safety of medication management in Australian hospitals through standardised medication charting and medication management practice.

21 June 2016 - Removal of blood glucose test strips from the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme on 1 July 2016 - From 1 July 2016 blood glucose test strips will no longer be available on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

20 June 2016 - Notification of Outcomes for the 2016 October Cycle of Price Disclosure - The Minister's delegate will consider making the weighted average disclosed price determination for the 2016 October Cycle in the week commencing 27 June 2016.

17 June 2016 - Section 100 IVF Program - updated claiming arrangements - From 1 July 2016, approved suppliers will be required to submit a Reproductive Technology Accreditation Committee accreditation number within claims for the supply of section 100 listed IVF medicines.

Australia. Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA)

28 June 2016 - Australian Public Assessment Reports for prescription medicines (AusPARs) - Added Alprostadil (Proshaeos)

28 June 2016 - **TGA presentation: Medical Affairs Interest Area Meeting (Webinar), 10 June 2016** - From April 2016, TGA will be updating some medicine ingredient names used in Australia to align with names used internationally.

28 June 2016 - Etopophos (etoposide phosphate) powder for injection vials and Vepesid etoposide capsules - Medicine shortages - anticipated.

28 June 2016 - Updates to the list of designated orphan drugs - Added Midostaurin (Rydapt) and Stiripentol (Diacomit).

27 June 2016 - **Buying medicines and medical devices online** - The Internet can offer consumers a convenient way to access therapeutic goods, but online purchases of medicines or medical devices should be approached with caution.

27 June 2016 - King-Wolf tablets - Safety advisory.

27 June 2016 - Can I import it? - Important information for people who want to import medicines or medical devices currently not approved for supply in Australia.

27 June 2016 - Entering Australia - There are rules about bringing medicines and medical devices into Australia. Many medicines and medical devices can be brought with you into Australia as long as they are for your personal use.

27 June 2016 - Leaving Australia - There are restrictions on what medicines and medical devices you can take with you when you leave Australia, and countries may have different laws on what you can bring in.

27 June 2016 - Conference participation by the TGA - The TGA is participating in the events and conferences listed.

24 June 2016 - Clomifene / clomiphene - Update - medicine shortages - alternative product available.

#### Australian Institute of Health & Welfare (AIHW)

28 June 2016 - **Decrease in neural tube defects since folic acid added to bread** - Mandatory fortification of bread with folic acid (in Australia) and iodine (in Australia and New Zealand) was introduced in 2009 to address two important public health issues: to reduce the prevalence of neural tube defects (serious birth defects such as spina bifida) in Australia and to deal with the re-emergence of iodine deficiency in both Australia and New Zealand. The introduction of the mandatory fortification has resulted in improved health outcomes, particularly for teenagers and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, according to a new report from the AIHW.

# Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care

27 June 2016 - On the Radar - Issue 279 (PDF 109KB) (Word 143KB)

**Commission update e-newsletter, June 2016 (PDF 2MB)** - Antimicrobial use and resistance; Version 2 of the NSQHS Standards; Acute Stroke Case for Improvement; End-of-life essentials: education for acute hospitals; 2016 Aged Care National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey, Surgical National Antimicrobial Prescribing Survey; DIP 4 Kids.

#### Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA)

28 June 2016 - APRA has updated the Private Health Insurance (Prudential Supervision) Rules and issued a letter industry

#### Australian Capital Territory. Health Directorate

29 June 2016 - Improved times in emergency department and long wait elective surgery - New figures released today show improved access to care for patients in the emergency department and those needing elective surgery, Minister for Health Simon Corbell has announced. The average wait time in the Canberra Hospital emergency department has improved by 14% and the average treatment time has dropped by 34 minutes over the last four months when compared with the same period last year.

29 June 2016 - Major health reform to deliver equivalent of more than 50 beds in our hospitals - The equivalent of more than 50 extra hospital beds will be delivered into our health system as a result of the ACT Government's extensive reforms, Minister for Health Simon Corbell announced today. Mr Corbell said better utilisation of beds, improved processes and practices and a \$100 million infrastructure investment over the next four years would result in improved capacity and efficiency throughout the health system.

#### New South Wales. Ministry of Health

Media Releases

29 June 2016 - **NSW Ambulance Appreciation Day** - A specialist paramedic based at Rockdale Ambulance Station has been recognised on NSW Ambulance Appreciation Day with the Minister's Bursary for Excellence.

24 June 2016 - **Prepare for Rio health risk: NSW HEALTH** - NSW Health is urging travellers heading to the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro to plan ahead and take precautions to reduce the risk of contracting travel-related infections, including Zika virus.

22 June 2016 - Traineeship boosts NSW Aboriginal environmental workforce - Kamilaroi woman from Coonamble, Ruth Williams, has become the fifth woman to complete the NSW Health Aboriginal Environmental Health Officer Training Program which is helping to boost the Aboriginal workforce across the state.

Policy Directives & Guidelines

30 June 2016 - Staff Specialist Employment Arrangements across more than one Public Health Organisation

29 June 2016 - Child Related Allegations, Charges and Convictions against NSW Health Staff

Information Bulletins

24 June 2016 - Visiting Dental Officer - Increased Rates of Pay

#### Northern Territory. Department of Health

30 June 2016 - Have a safe Territory Day - be burns aware - Territory Day is a time of celebration however every year some people suffer serious and possibly life changing injuries from firework related harm. Fireworks are hazardous and have the potential to cause severe burns, lacerations, bruises even visual impairment, hearing loss and broken bones. Last year 24 people across the Territory suffered firework related injuries. The majority were burns to the face and eyes, with upper limbs, trunk and lower limbs also affected.

28 June 2014 - **Do you know the right way to treat a burn?** - A new awareness campaign to educate the public in how to treat a burn has been launched this week for Burns Awareness Week in the Northern Territory. Burns Awareness Week is held each year by Royal Darwin Hospital and this year runs from June 27 to July 3.The campaign '*Know the 3 Cs* - Cool for 20 minutes under running water, Cover it with cling wrap and Call 000', is aimed at ensuring people know timely first aid treatment

#### **Queensland. Department of Health**

30 June 2016 - **Students swayed by work experience** - A few days' work experience at Mount Isa Hospital last week might have kick started the health careers of quite a few Good Shepherd year 10 students and broadened their horizons.

29 June 2016 - Specialist immunisation service launched to protect Queensland's sickest kids - Queensland children and young people with complex immunisation needs will have access to greater protection against life-threatening vaccine-preventable diseases, following the launch today of a new specialist immunisation service.

28 June 2016 - **\$11 million investment in Caboolture Hospital to keep pace with growth** - The Palaszczuk Government is investing more than \$11 million this year into the \$17 million Caboolture Hospital upgrade, to help the facility keep up with regional growth and ensure it continues providing the best possible care to local residents.

24 June 2016 - Queensland Health clinician awarded Order of Australia Medal - QEII Hospital obstetrician/gynaecologist Dr Hannah Krause has been awarded an Order of Australia Medal in the Queen's Honours list 2016 for distinguished service to medicine.

#### **Tasmania. Department of Health & Human Services**

1 July 2016 - **Dedicated elective surgery facility rolls out from today** - From today, the Mersey Community Hospital is Tasmania's dedicated elective surgery centre, helping to drive down waiting lists and times and our high cancellation rates for surgery.

30 June 2016 - All-time record elective surgeries achieved in Tasmania - When the Hodgman Liberal Government took office we made a commitment to fix the health system – and we're doing that.

26 June 2016 - **Government investing record amount in health** - Despite the state budget losing more than \$500 million in GST, the Hodgman Liberal Government is still investing a record \$6 billion in health over four years, including \$51 million more added in the recent budget.

25 June 2016 - Beds to reopen at LGH - REISSUED - Today, I am pleased to announce we are taking steps to ease pressure in the Launceston General Hospital's Emergency Department.

24 June 2016 - **Negotiations with HACSU** - A constructive meeting has occurred today between DHHS and HACSU.

#### Victoria. Department of Health

1 July 2016 - **Day One Of More Support For Victorians With Disability** - The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) today begins being rolled out across Victoria, starting with north-east Melbourne. This is a once-in-a-generation reform that will change the way support and services are provided to Victorians with disability.

28 June 2016 - **Supporting The Transition To The NDIS** - Victorians with a disability, their families and carers, and the sector are set to receive the targeted support they need to help them make the transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

27 June 2016 - Victorian Complementary Medicine Expertise On Show - Victoria's world class medical technology and pharmaceutical industry will be on show today to more than 400 high level Chinese delegates at a major new complementary medicine conference in Melbourne.

26 June 2016 - Historic Legislation To Give Victorians A Clearer Say On End-Of-Life Care - Victorians have a chance to shape how new historic laws will be implemented to give people greater powers to set directives about their future medical treatment, including end-of-life preferences and wishes.

#### Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine

2 June 2016 - The Clinical Communiqué releases its latest newsletter - The Communiqué is an educational resource for medical practitioners and health professionals with a focus on patient safety in acute health care settings. Written by clinicians for clinicians about lessons learned from deaths investigated by the Coroners Court.

#### Western Australia (WA). Department of Health

Media Releases

1 July 2016 - New Health Services Act 2016 - A new era in the delivery of a safe, high-quality, sustainable healthcare system for all West Australians begins today, with the Health Services Act 2016 coming into effect.

30 June 2016 - Minister for Health: PMH celebrates more than a century of care - Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH) is celebrating 107 years of care today, with patients, families, staff and community members gathering to mark the iconic Western Australian institution's last birthday before the opening of the new Perth Children's Hospital (PCH).

30 June 2016 - Minister for Health: Research canvasses healthy dose of arts in WA - New research has found that Western Australian public and private hospitals are increasingly using the arts in clinical settings to improve health education and outcomes for patients.

28 June 2016 - **Project to tackle genetic services imbalance** - WA Health is part of a new multi-state project that will try to find out why so few Aboriginal Australians are accessing genetic health services.

Policy Frameworks - All from 1 July

MP 0035/16 Statutory Board Governance Policy MP 0034/16 Salary Packaging Policy MP 0033/16 Recruitment, Selection and Appointment Policy and Procedure MP 0032/16 Pre-Employment Integrity Check Policy MP 0031/16 Code of Conduct MP 0030/16 Managing Unsatisfactory and Substandard Performance Policy MP 0029/16 Reporting Misconduct Policy MP 0028/16 Redeployment and Redundancy Policy MP 0027/16 Misconduct Policy MP 0026/16 Student Clinical Placement Agreements Policy MP 0025/16 Industrial Relations Policy MP 0024/16 Posthumous Collection of Human Gametes (eggs and sperm) Policy MP 0023/16 Obtaining Legal Advice MP 0022/16 Legal Arrangements Policy MP 0021/16 Medical Indemnity - Salaried Medical Officers & Non-salaried Medical Practitioners Policy MP 0020/16 Classifications Policy MP 0019/16 Development of Primary and Subsidiary Legislation Policy MP 0018/16 Commercial Activities Policy MP 0017/16 WA Health Staff Air Travel Policy MP 0016/16 WA Health Statewide Discharge Summary Policy MP 0015/16 Information Use and Disclosure Policy MP 0014/16 Elective Services Wait List Data Collection (ESWLDC): Data Reporting Requirements for Health Service Providers MP 0013/16 Works Procurement Policy MP 0012/16 Missing Person Policy MP 0011/16 Data Stewardship and Custodianship Policy MP 0010/16 Patient Confidentiality Policy MP 0009/16 Monitoring of External Reviews Policy MP 0008/16 Internal Audit Policy MP 0007/16 WA Health Compliance Management Policy

MP 0006/16 WA Health Risk Management Policy MP 0005/16 Grants Policy MP 0004/16 Procurement Development and Management System Policy MP 0003/16 Procurement and Contract Management Policy MP 0002/16 Patient Information Retention and Disposal Schedule MP 0001/16 Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Governance Policy

# Australian Medical Association (AuMA)

- 30 June 2016 AuMA calls on all major parties to put health first
- 30 June 2016 AuMA welcomes Coalition's initiatives to support rural health
- 30 June 2016 AuMA welcomes commitments to invest in mental health
- 30 June 2016 AuMA Council of General Practice
- 30 June 2016 MJA events: Advancements in respiratory health and asthma for adults and children

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