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Subject: Primary Care Clinical Digest - January 27 2023

PRIMARY CARE CLINICAL DIGEST JANUARY 27 2023	
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Transition to Biosimilar Adalimumab (Amgevita): Alcohol Wipes now available	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Amgevita, a citrate-free biosimilar adalimumab, has been funded since 1 March 2022.2. Feedback has been received about the lack of availability of alcohol wipes for people using Amgevita.3. Alcohol wipes are now available for patients to order free of charge via the Amgevita website4. A free Patient Support Programme is available for all patients using Amgevita Supporting material5. Information about Amgevita, demonstration packs, and educational resources are available for healthcare professionals on the Amgevita website. Register here to access healthcare professional resources.6. Additional resources and clinical information can be found on the Pharmac website. Contact the enquiries team if you have any questions.
Pharmac Update: Primary Care Prescribers for the week ending January 20 2023 <i>See full notice attached for wider information</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Decision to fund diabetes treatment liraglutide (Victoza) eligibility criteria / website2. Pharmaceutical Schedule funding rules on prescribing and dispensing of Class B controlled drugs proposed changes to the Schedule funding Rules / website3. Clarification:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Iloprost Pharmac website4. Discontinuation:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Atomoxetine – Strattera brand – see attached notice for key dates5. Brand Change:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Paracetamol oral liquid 120 mg per 5 ml dispensing restrictions – see attached notice6. Supply Issue:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Calamine cream Pharmac website2. Oestradiol (Estradot) patches Pharmac website3. Nutricia foods products Pharmac website

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. COVID-19 Information for Prescribers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pharmac website – COVID-19 oral antivirals: Access Criteria 2. Aotearoa's COVID-19 treatment portfolio 3. Access Criteria Assessment Tool 1. More information on Covid-19 Pharmac website
Top Weekend Viewing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. While those in the south bask in sunshine, for those of you in the north and experiencing the worst weather for summer, you might want to curl up and watch... <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Happy Valley (TVNZ+) – season 4 of this gritty UK drama has just finished, why not kick back and watch it from the beginning. 2. Top Gun: Maverick (Neon) – If you haven't seen it, now's your chance. If you have, it's well worth a second viewing, heaps of action! 3. Mayor of Kingstown (Prime Video) – a US crime drama starring Jeremy Renner who is currently recovering from a bad accident with a snow plough.

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