






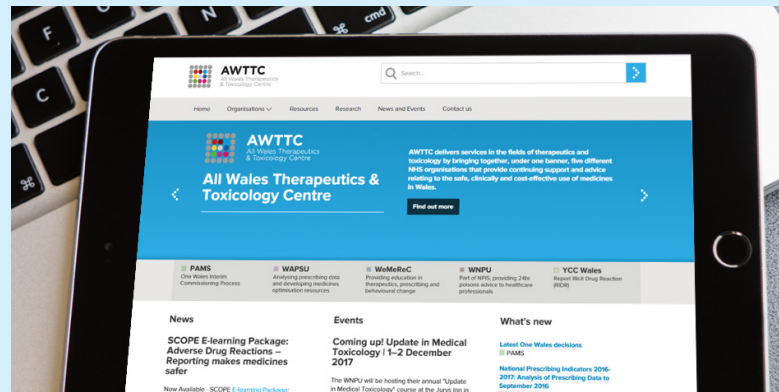


## Welcome to the AWTTC Newsletter!

Quarterly updates to keep you informed of our latest news and work.

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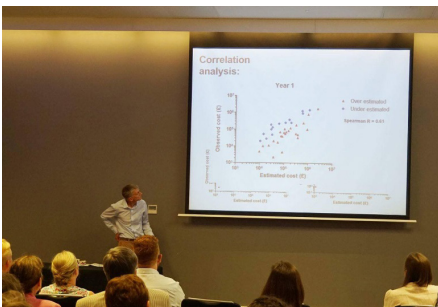


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### Welsh Medicines Research Symposium presentation by AWTTC

| July 2018

AWTTC representatives attended the annual Welsh Medicines Research Symposium and presented on estimated and observed cost of medicines recommended by AWMSG for use in NHS Wales.



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### Best Practice Day 2018 held at Cardiff City Stadium

| July 2018

The AWTTC Best Practice Day 2018 took place on Tuesday 10th July 2018 in Cardiff City Stadium. The agenda covered a wide range of topics with speakers from across Wales, who shared some of the excellent work going on in relation to Medicines Optimisation.



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### Patient and Public Interest Group (PAPIG) meeting

| September 2018

PAPIG is made up of patients, carers and representatives from patient organisations. The group met on 26 September to discuss the work of the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group and other patient-focused topics.



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## Dr James Coulson promoted to Reader in Clinical Pharmacology

| July 2018

We are pleased to congratulate Dr James Coulson, our Deputy Clinical Director in AWTTC, on his recent promotion from Senior Lecturer to Reader in Clinical Pharmacology at Cardiff University.

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## Work of AWMSG and AWTTC is featured in commemorative Bevan Commission book

| July 2018

AWTTC Clinical Director, Phil Routledge, has collaborated with two other Bevan Commissioners, Chris Martin and Trevor Jones, to contribute a chapter to a commemorative book to mark the Bevan Commission's 10-year anniversary and celebrate the NHS on its 70th birthday.

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## AWTTC at the recent Paediatric Medication Error Prevention study day

| September 2018

AWTTC was represented at the Paediatric Medication Error Prevention Study day in Swansea on 19 September. The day was an opportunity for healthcare professionals to discuss safe and effective prescribing, dispensing, administration and monitoring of medicines in children.

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### WAPSU

Welsh Analytical Prescribing Support Unit  
Uned Cymorth Presgripsiynu Dadansoddol Cymru

- Analysing prescribing data and developing medicines optimisation resources...

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## Primary Care Antimicrobial Guidelines updated

| July 2018

The UTI section of the AWMSG Primary Care Antimicrobial Guidelines has been reviewed and updated by the All Wales Antimicrobial Guideline Group to take into account increasing incidences of antimicrobial resistance in Wales.

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## SPIRA now available across the NHS Wales network

| July 2018

SPIRA dashboards on NPIs and Low Priority for Funding Medicines can now be accessed from anywhere on the NHS Wales network, including GP practices, via the AWTTC website. A biosimilar dashboard is also available with restricted access.

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## Common Ailments patient leaflets available

| September 2018

Patient information leaflets to accompany each of the conditions in the Common Ailments Formulary have been published and are now available as links in the formulary. Leaflets are available in both English and Welsh.

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## WAPSU publishes National Prescribing Indicator report for final quarter of 2017-2018

| July 2018

The NPI quarterly report for data to March 2018 has been published by WAPSU, highlighting prescribing trends across health boards.



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- Monitoring adverse reactions to medicines...

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## YCC Wales attended the National Eisteddfod of Wales | August 2018

YCC Wales attended the National Eisteddfod of Wales in Cardiff Bay to promote the reporting of suspected Adverse Drug Reactions (ADRs) via the Yellow Card Scheme.



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## YCC Wales' Annual Report 2017-2018 published | September 2018

YCC Wales' Annual Report 2017-18 has been published and provides details of the developments made in the reporting of suspected ADRs throughout the year. YCC Wales reports an increase of 30% in the number of Yellow Cards submitted from Wales during 2017-18 compared with 2016-17.



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## YCC Wales at Newport 50+ Information Day | September 2018

On Saturday 29th September, YCC Wales had a stand at the 20th 50+ Information Day at the Newport Centre. The event attracted hundreds of people and there were an incredible 117 stalls providing information about the services available to the residents of Newport.



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- Providing education in therapeutics, prescribing and behavioural change...

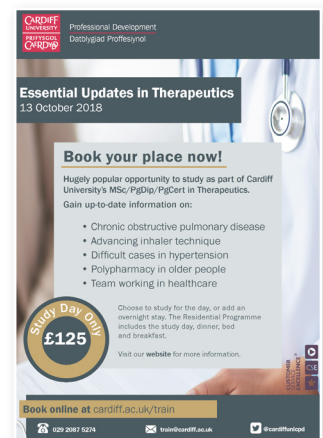
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## Coming up - Essential Updates in Therapeutics | Coming soon

The opportunity to study as part of Cardiff University's MSc/PgDip/PGCert in Therapeutics is coming up on 13 October 2018 with up-to-date information on:

- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Advancing inhaler technique
- Difficult cases in hypertension
- Polypharmacy in older people
- Team working in healthcare.

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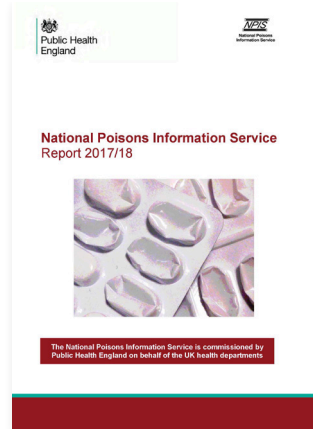
- Providing 24-hour poisons advice to healthcare professionals...

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## NPIS Annual Report 2017-2018 published

| September 2018

The WNPU is a key part of the UK National Poisons Information Service (NPIS) in providing 24/7 advice to healthcare professionals in the UK. The NPIS recently published their annual report summarising their activities for the period 2017-2018.

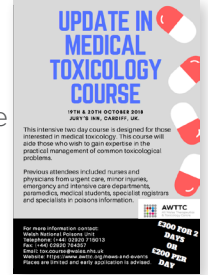


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## Coming up - Update in Medical Toxicology course 2018

| Coming soon

The WNPU's annual Update in Medical Toxicology course will be held on the 19th & 20th October 2018.



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## PAMS Patient Access to Medicines Service Mynediad Claf at Wasanaeth Meddyginiaethau

- Supporting health technology appraisals and coordinating the outputs of IPFR panels across Wales...

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## PAMS represented at the Eisteddfod

| August 2018

On 9 August 2018, AWTTTC went to the Eisteddfod to raise awareness of our work and highlight the important role of patients, carers and their families.



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