Research literacy

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Research is an integral aspect of general practice in Australia. For many of us, research is done by others and, we use the results in our clinical practice. For some, research is a full-time job, with a focus either on general practice systems and processes or the management of specific conditions in the general practice setting. Opportunities to take part in research continue to expand and grow, and many general practitioners (GPs) take these opportunities up.

In this edition of *Australian Journal of General Practice* (*AJGP*) we start a longitudinal series on research literacy for GPs. The goal of the series is to be a resource for any GP that has any interest in research – new or longstanding – to assist them in understanding the reporting of research studies. We are very grateful for all the authors and reviewers who have contributed to the series and especially note the leadership of Dr Shaun Prentice who suggested the series and led its development.

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Erratum

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In this article, the original text in the fifth paragraph under the 'State and territory prescribing laws and regulations' subheading was as follows:

'In South Australia (SA), GPs who complete additional training may diagnose and make the initial application for an authority to prescribe S8 psychostimulants, whereas in Tasmania, GPs who have completed training may diagnose ADHD and initiate S8 psychostimulant prescribing without an authority.[16,17] In SA and Tasmania, GPs who have not completed training must apply for an authority and comply with other requirements (Table 2).'

The text has now been corrected to the following:

'In South Australia (SA) and Tasmania, GPs who complete additional training may diagnose and make the initial application for an authority to prescribe S8 psychostimulants.[16,17] In SA and Tasmania, GPs who have not completed training must apply for an authority and comply with other requirements (Table 2).'

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