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## WHATS NEW? APRIL 2018 (for clinicians)

### DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

#### Codeine

Includes information for patients about the changes to codeine supply that came into effect from Feb 1, 2018 (available in multiple languages). Also includes pain management information for patients.

### WOMEN'S HEALTH

#### Cervical Screening

Updated resources for women on changes to cervical screening that came into effect on Dec 1, 2017. Includes videos, specific resources for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and resources in multiple languages.

### CHILD HEALTH

#### Overweight and Obesity in Children and Young People

Includes fact sheets for parents, Australian Dietary Guidelines and information about local services and programs.

#### Constipation

Additional resources added.

### GENERAL HEALTH – BONES, JOINTS AND MUSCLES

#### Arthritis – Gout

Patient fact sheets on gout, gout and diet, as well as information on medications for gout.

#### Arthritis – Septic Arthritis

Patient information and fact sheets

### LOCAL HEALTH AND SUPPORT SERVICES

#### Mobility Aids and Equipment Providers

Contact details, information and website links to Mobility Aids and Equipment providers across the Hunter New England area.



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## WHAT IS PATIENTINFO ?

Patientinfo is a publically available health information portal. It contains links to health information from around the web. Patients, families and carers need only visit Patientinfo rather than searching for information across multiple websites. By directing your patients to Patientinfo, you can help address their information needs and supplement the information you provide to them during a consultation.

The information is selected / developed by local clinicians working in the Hunter New England and Central Coast areas. Where possible local, NSW or Australian resources are used. The information is evidence based and written in plain language. Resources and links are kept up to date and new information is being constantly added. We are currently working to increase the amount of information about local services on the site.

Patientinfo is a joint initiative of Hunter New England Central Coast Primary Health Network and Hunter New England Local Health District. The majority of information is drawn directly from the HNE and Central Coast HealthPathways sites.

## DIRECTING PATIENTS TO PATIENTINFO

You can provide your patient with the web address [www.patientinfo.org.au](http://www.patientinfo.org.au) . A user name and password is not required.

We have fridge magnets and notepads available with the web address, as well as Patientinfo cards that have both the web address and a space for you to write the search term for your patient. If you would like to order or re-order either of these, you can contact us via the feedback button on the front page of Patientinfo or email us at:

[HNELHD-PatientInfo@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:HNELHD-PatientInfo@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au)



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