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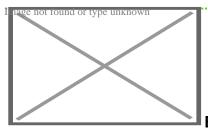


EAHP PAST PRESIDENT ROBERTO FRONTINI RECEIVES

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR PATIENT SAFETY EFFORTS

The European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP) extends its warmest congratulations to its past President Dr Roberto Frontini on receiving the prestigious Donald E. Francke Medal at the annual Mid Year Clinical meeting of the American Society of Health System Pharmacists. The award was presented in honour of his international efforts to promote medication safety and improve patient outcomes.

More information here [2].



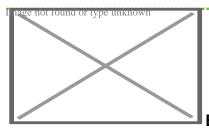
EUROPEAN COMMISSION OPENS A PUBLIC

CONSULTATION ON IMPROVING THE EU SYSTEM OF ORPHAN MEDICINE DESIGNATION

15 years after the passing of landmark EU regulation to encourage orphan medicine development, the European Commission is now running a public consultation to take views on revised guidance on how the regulation should operate in practice. Amongst the matters being consulted upon is whether a candidate for orphan drug designation should be required to demonstrate 'significant benefit' over not only existing authorised products, but also those prepared in hospital pharmacies. The consultation also seeks views on if, and how, orphan drug designation benefits could be better applied to benefit the development of treatments for low to zero prevalence infectious diseases in Europe that nonetheless pose the potential risk of becoming a serious threat to public health (e.g. Ebola).

The deadline for responses is 15th February 2016. More information here [3].

EAHP is currently preparing a response to the consultation.



EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY SEEKS HCP

EXPERIENCES OF USING ITS INFORMATION ON MEDICINES IN DAILY CLINICAL PRACTICE

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) has launched a short online survey (less than 10 minutes to complete) to better understand how doctors, hospital pharmacists and other healthcare professionals (HCPs) make use of the information the agency provides about medicines. The results of the survey are aimed at improving the EMA's production and communication of such information in the future.

The survey will close on Monday 1st February 2016, and is available to take here [4].



HAVE YOU TAKEN THE EAHP LABOUR MOBILITY SURVEY YET?

Do you have ten minutes (even less) to give to an important hospital pharmacy project?

We'd love as many EAHP EU Monitor subscribers as possible to complete a short survey on their attitudes and experience on the issue of labour mobility - a key part of the EAHP Common Training Framework project [5].

If you're willing to share the survey with your colleagues, even better!

Survey available here. [6]

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