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Do you have GRIT? New journal shakes up pharmacy scene

A new quarterly journal of the Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) lands in letterboxes across Australia from this week, providing a much-needed new platform for publishing pharmacy research and a new home for essential hospital pharmacy resources, education and inspiration.

Officially citable, *Pharmacy Growth, Research, Innovation and Training* (GRIT) is the new home of DrugScan, Medication Safety and Case Reports, complementing established stablemate the *Journal of Pharmacy Practice and Research* (JPPR) as twin resources, exclusively and freely available to members of SHPA.

Kristin Michaels, CEO of SHPA, says *Pharmacy GRIT* is for members and by members, with the bold name winning SHPA's journal-naming competition at the Medicines Management 2016 conference and immediately entering the vernacular.

'Articulated by members Sarah Hitchen, Jeanie Misko and Vanessa Sinclair, GRIT was an instant crowd favourite and #grit became a trending hashtag.

'We believe it perfectly encapsulates the evolving knowledge and skills you need to be an innovative pharmacist in today's complex and demanding healthcare world.'

The first issue takes a peek inside mentor-mentee relationships in hospital pharmacy, provides indispensable advice on applying for research grants and previews the imminent launch of the National Translational Research Collaboration.

Ms Michaels says she is confident the unorthodox name will get people talking, the perfect catalyst for greater collaboration and innovation.

'When pharmacists and technicians start sharing ideas, good things happen: within pharmacy, for other health professionals and, most importantly, for patients.

'GRIT represents the persistence, stamina and drive to focus on long term goals, achieve career success and really make a difference in people's lives.

'It's not enough to have talent. You need to have GRIT.'

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