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your patients, we look
after you.**



Greetings from our CEO



Dear Members and Friends of Medisec,

In the October edition of MedZine, we deal with the role of a GP in assessing testamentary capacity.

We would also like to extend a well deserved congratulations to GP trainee Dr Aonghus Duggan for his prize in the Medisec Quality & Safety Awards at the ICGP Trainee Conference in Galway recently. We will be showcasing all three finalists' ideas in the lead up to Christmas; the quality of their presentations augurs well for the future of general practice.

We wish you all a very happy Halloween.

Best Wishes



Medisec ICGP Trainee Quality & Safety Awards 2019

Congratulations to Dr Aonghus Duggan for his runner up prize in the Medisec Quality & Safety Awards at the ICGP Trainee Conference in Galway. His paper was entitled:

'Audit of Appropriate Prescribing of Oral Nutritional Supplements in the Nursing Home Setting'



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Case Study

Role of the GP in Assessing Testamentary Capacity

Here, we explain your role as a GP in assessing testamentary capacity for a patient who wants to make a Will, or in giving an opinion on the capacity of a deceased patient who previously made a Will.



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Near Miss Incident - A Member's Story

Following a recent call for descriptions of 'near miss' incidents which was so well received, a member has contacted us on an anonymous basis to share their version of a 'near miss' incident which happened in their surgery.

We would be delighted to hear from you should you wish to share a near miss incident with us.



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Medisec's Clinical Corner

Fainting after Phlebotomy

Our Senior Clinical Risk Advisor highlights the potential risks of serious injury to patients following a syncopal episode after phlebotomy.

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Enduring Power of Attorney- Guidelines for GPs

Members receive regular requests from solicitors relating to EPAs; we have provided some useful guidance on how to approach such requests here.



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News for Members



"Just do this one thing today"

A bite sized risk reduction exercise for the busy GP:-

Sit in the waiting room and have a look at the surroundings with a patient's eyes and ears; can you overhear conversations at reception?



We have changed the date!

- Please note that our annual **Best Practice Conference** will now be held in the Conrad Hotel Dublin on **22 February 2020** and not in November 2019 as previously indicated. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. We would love to see you in

February so please save the date and mark your calendars; it promises to be a very interesting day!

Get in touch

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any ideas or suggestions for work that you would like to see us do. We love to hear from our members!

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