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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The [Hobart Mercury \(page 1\)](#) reports that the Australian Medical Association has warned that public maternity wards in Hobart will not be able to handle the increase in patients if Healthscope ceases maternity services at Hobart Private Hospital. Independent federal member for Clark Andrew Wilkie said he plans to speak with federal Health Minister Mark Butler about the maternity service situation this week.
- The [Daily Telegraph \(page 4\)](#) reports that nine peak health bodies have petitioned Health Minister Mark Butler to increase the number of Medicare-subsidised psychology sessions to above 10.
- The [Herald Sun \(page 1\)](#) reports that the Therapeutics Goods Administration has approved the drug Wegovy after a clinical trial confirmed that a weekly dose of 2.4mg of semaglutide reduced cardiovascular events 20 per cent.
- The [Australian Financial Review \(page 5\)](#) reports that the Snow Medical foundation will invest \$100 million over the course of ten years into the research of glaucoma and its treatment at the University of Sydney.
- The [Herald Sun \(page 3\)](#) reports that the Good Friday Appeal will provide an additional \$3 million in funding for six regional Victorian health services thanks to fundraising efforts in 2025.

- The [Adelaide Advertiser \(page 9\)](#) reports that the Royal Adelaide Hospital is undertaking a world-first trial to attempt to purify the blood of cancer patients through a Hemopurifier device in an attempt to weaken cancer cells.
- The [Daily Telegraph \(page 9\)](#) reports that the Royal Melbourne Hospital has suspended cardiothoracic surgeon Marco Larobina as they investigate disparaging claims about the competence of another surgeon, who alleged Mr. Larobina said he "killed a patient".

MINISTER BUTLER

Catholic Health's plan to fix hospitals at 'breaking point'

Australian Financial Review, Companies and Markets, 17/02/2025, Michael Smith, Page 19

Not-for-profit hospital operators want the federal government to take the pressure off long public waiting lists by paying for more patients to be treated privately and help subsidise soaring salaries.

Also reported by: [Australian Financial Review \(Online\)](#).

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Call for greater mental support

Daily Telegraph, General News, 17/02/2025, Clare Armstrong, Page 4

[...] A coalition of nine peak bodies have united behind a petition urging Health Minister Mark Butler to lift the cap for certain disorders, warning that under the current system people are "tapping in and tapping out" of mental health support when they can afford it, rather than based on medical need.

Also reported by: [Herald Sun \(Melbourne\)](#), [Courier Mail \(Brisbane\)](#).

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Hospitals 'won't cope'

Hobart Mercury, General News, 17/02/2025, Bridget Clarke, Page 1

[...] Independent federal member for Clark Andrew Wilkie said he hoped to speak with federal Health Minister Mark Butler this week about the situation, and also the "continuing refusal of Healthscope to reach a new deal with many small health insurers", adding the cessation of services would be a "disaster".

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With a cost-of-living election to fight, Dutton strikes a delicate balance on the 'trans debate'

The Guardian, Other, 16/02/2025, Dan Jervis-Bardy

[...] The health minister, Mark Butler, said the Coalition was "deeply divided" on the issue.

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Long-awaited funding for women's reproductive health

Medical Journal of Australia, Other, 17/02/2025

[...] The announcement from Health Minister Mark Butler includes: The first PBS listing for new oral contraceptive pills in more than 30 years, with the listing of Yaz and Yasmin saving 50 000 women hundreds of dollars a year.

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'No interest in what's happening in people's bedrooms': Opposition Leader Peter Dutton confirms position on gender policy

Sky News Australia, Other, 16/02/2025, Andrew Clennell and Oscar Godsell

[...] "It is imperative there is community confidence that Australian children, adolescents and their families are receiving the most appropriate care," Health Minister Mark Butler said.

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MINISTER WELLS

Government announces new chair and members of National Aged Care Advisory Council

Inside Ageing, Other, 16/02/2025, Amy Clarke

[...] Anika Wells, Aged Care Minister The National Aged Care Advisory Council plays a crucial role in advising the government on key aged care matters.

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ASSISTANT MINISTER KEARNEY

Man, PM's priorities are not the picture of health

Herald Sun, General News, 17/02/2025, James Campbell, Page 25

[...] Instead, we've had assistant minister Ged Kearney focused on the "many ways that gender bias creeps throughout our healthcare system", and presiding over a "gender audit" of the Medicare Benefit Scheme.

Also reported by: [Courier Mail \(Brisbane\)](#), [Courier Mail \(Brisbane\)](#), [Cairns Post \(Online\)](#), [Gold Coast Bulletin \(Online\)](#), [Townsville Bulletin \(Online\)](#), [Daily Telegraph Australia \(Online\)](#), [Geelong Advertiser \(Online\)](#), [Herald Sun \(Online\)](#), [Adelaide Now \(Online\)](#).

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VACCINES

Long COVID is solvable, but we need more clinical trials

Yahoo! News Australia, Other, 16/02/2025, Amy D. Proal

We are living in an epidemic of chronic disease, with a growing number of pesticides, chemicals and food additives implicated in the declining health of Americans. Since 2019, another factor has been at

play as well: The SARS-CoV-2 virus has driven a huge increase in chronic health consequences, broadly referred to as long COVID.

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SAFM, 08:00 News (Weekend), 16/02/2025

Australian Chief Medical Officer, Professor Tony Lawler, has raised concerns about Australia's falling child vaccination rates. Vaccination rates dropped from 95% in 2020 to 93.85% in 2024.

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Triple M Adelaide, 09:00 News (Weekend), 16/02/2025

Australia's chief medical officer, Professor Tony Lawler, has warned children will die if vaccination rates continue to fall across the country.

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AGEING AND AGED CARE

Blooming boomers chart new destiny

The Australian, Business News, 17/02/2025, Bernard Salt, Page 16

It is a simple chart but it tells a powerful story. Or more correctly it is a chart that foretells a powerful and I would say, initially at least, a joyous story.

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From single nurse to now caring for 130,000 people

The Australian, Business News, 17/02/2025, Stephen Muggleton, Page 16

In the late 1800s, life expectancy for Australians was around 50 years. Our cities were growing quickly.

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Supports in place to help us all to age with dignity

Adelaide Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Darren Birbeck, Page 30

Every one of us has the right to age with dignity. This can come in many forms and mean different things to different people.

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Dodging fees with DIY care at home

West Australian, Business News, 17/02/2025, Nick Bruining, Page 30

With aged care adverts swamping afternoon TV, there's clearly money to be made in the sector. Those advertisers are chasing a slice of the Commonwealth-funded home care package industry, which is set to undergo a major revamp when new legislation kicks in from July 1.

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Lessons I learnt hard way about at-home care system

West Australian, Business News, 17/02/2025, Nick Bruining, Page 31

As someone who has experienced the home care system through my mum, I have first-hand knowledge of the pros and cons of how it operates.

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Christian Homes Tasmania unveils 'half-way house' for retirees before nursing home care

Daily Telegraph Australia, Other, 16/02/2025, Sue Bailey

A Tasmanian provider wants to "revolutionise" aged care with plans for a \$90m development including

hotel styled independent living described as "a halfway house between a retirement village and a nursing home".

Also reported by: [Cairns Post \(Online\)](#), [The Mercury \(Online\)](#), [Northern Territory News \(Online\)](#), [The Courier Mail \(Online\)](#), [Geelong Advertiser \(Online\)](#), [Adelaide Now \(Online\)](#).

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Rarer dementia a rollercoaster of debilitating ailments

Canberra Times, Other, 16/02/2025, Melissa Meehan

Two years ago, Annette was running a thriving small business and planning her next solo holiday. Today she's mostly confined to her aged care facility, unable to go out unchaperoned.

Also reported by: [Daily Liberal \(Online\)](#), [The Border Mail \(Online\)](#), [Northern Daily Leader \(Online\)](#), [Newcastle Herald \(Online\)](#), [Illawarra Mercury \(Online\)](#), [West Australian \(Online\)](#), [Daily Mail Australia \(Online\)](#).

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Range of symptoms signal onset of Lewy body dementia

Canberra Times, Other, 16/02/2025, Melissa Meehan

Lewy body dementia is a disease associated with abnormal protein that eats away at the brain and causes issues with thinking, movement, behaviour and mood.

Also reported by: [Ballarat Courier \(Online\)](#), [Northern Daily Leader \(Online\)](#), [Newcastle Herald \(Online\)](#), [The Senior \(Online\)](#), [Illawarra Mercury \(Online\)](#), [Daily Mail Australia \(Online\)](#).

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POPULATION HEALTH

Election the time to outline where our priorities lie

Hobart Mercury, General News, 17/02/2025, Paul Lupo, Page 17

Investment in prevention is the missing link in tackling our health crisis A federal election will soon be upon us, and it is crucial we see big-picture commitments from our political leaders that will make a positive difference to the health of our community.

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Regions 'bear the brunt' of illegal tobacco, vape sales amidst inquiry calls

Northern Daily Leader, Other, 16/02/2025, Louise Thrower

Opposition Health Minister Kellie Sloane is calling for an increase in compliance officers policing illegal vape and tobacco sales in regional areas.

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Territorians face highest stroke risk in Australia, report warns

The Mercury, Other, 16/02/2025, Taylor Mason

A new report has revealed the Northern Territory has the country's highest rates of key stroke risk factors.

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CANCER, HEARING AND CHRONIC CONDITIONS

Blood 'cleaned' in RAH world-first cancer trial

Adelaide Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Brad Crouch, Page 9

A world-first trial in Adelaide is taking blood from cancer patients, purifying it through a new hi-tech

device then pumping it back, in the hope it can improve the body's own natural ability to fight tumour cells.

Also reported by: [Northern Territory News \(Online\)](#), [The Mercury \(Online\)](#), [Gold Coast Bulletin \(Online\)](#), [Adelaide Now \(Online\)](#), [Daily Telegraph Australia \(Online\)](#), [The Courier Mail \(Online\)](#), [Townsville Bulletin \(Online\)](#).

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Dad leaps into the unknown to find daughter's cure

Adelaide Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Evangeline Polymeneas, Page 15

Adelaide dad Sam Scutter jumped from a plane 15,000ft above ground for his three-year-old daughter Frankie.

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The 'new normal' after brain malfunction

Age, General News, 17/02/2025, Kate Aubusson, Page 10

Rachael Dodd sat at her desk, staring at her computer screen as random letters in the body of an email vanished from sight.

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Inequality in NDIS support

Herald Sun, General News, 17/02/2025, Sarah Booth, Page 18

Women, elderly and disabled miss out The NDIS is less likely to support women, older Australians and people in poorer suburbs for certain disabilities, compared with other demographics, new data shows.

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Uncle Jimmy's vision to help his community

Northern Territory News, General News, 17/02/2025, Thomas McLean, Page 9

A Yolngu man who recently had his eyesight restored after nearly a decade of vision impairment is encouraging others in remote communities to seek eye care.

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The growing national burden of arthritis demands urgent attention and investment

Medical Journal of Australia, Other, 17/02/2025

New projections for the future burden of arthritis in Australia provide an important impetus for greater investment in arthritis to ensure Australia's health system can capably meet future health care demand and deliver high value care.

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Breast cancer cases in young women increasing at a 'concerning' rate

NEWS.com.au, Other, 16/02/2025, Alexandra Feiam

[...] Over the last decade, cases of breast cancer in women aged 25 to 49 in Victoria have increased 0.6 per cent, according to the Cancer Council Victoria.

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PRIMARY CARE

Health boost for regions

Herald Sun, General News, 17/02/2025, Nui Te Koha, Page 3

The Good Friday Appeal is committing \$3m this year for Victorian regional health services to help sick kids get world-class care closer to home.

Also reported by: [Geelong Advertiser \(Geelong\)](#).

State dealing with baby blues

Hobart Mercury, Editorials, 17/02/2025, Page 14

Doubts hanging over maternity services at the Hobart Private Hospital are concerning on a number of levels.

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GPs treat more than colds

West Australian, General News, 17/02/2025, Andrew Leech, Page 34

There has been significant discussion during the State election campaign about the role of GPs and how we fit into the broader health system.

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Doing 'what we can'

Border Mail, General News, 17/02/2025, Anthony Bunn, Page 1

MP Justin Clancy says he is willing to help land a meeting with the NSW Health Minister Ryan Park to discuss the Twin Cities' hospital situation.

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MP moves motion to split health district

Daily Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Allan Wilson, Page 4

Murray MP Helen Dalton has moved a motion in the NSW Parliament to see the Griffith region placed into a separate health district.

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Healthy boost for regions

Geelong Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Page 15

The Good Friday Appeal's announcement of a \$3m funding boost for regional health services is a triumph for community health and a beacon of hope for families in Victoria's less metropolitan areas, including Geelong.

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It's time for me to go: Let me die

Toowoomba Chronicle, General News, 17/02/2025, Cydonee Mardon, Page 12

Sitting in her recliner, in her favourite blue and white pyjamas, puppy Gemma curled comfortably in her lap, Kay Henderson emanates a sense of calm.

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EDs lag behind, new rules introduced

Warrnambool Standard, General News, 17/02/2025, Ben Silvester, Page 2

Regional Victorians continue to wait significantly longer than Melbourne emergency department patients as the government introduces strict new ambulance and hospital guidelines at 16 health services across the state.

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Wife of Brisbane doctor David Levitt tells how her husband ended his life through voluntary assisted dying

Daily Telegraph Australia, Other, 16/02/2025, Jackie Sinnerton

A Brisbane woman has recalled the way her husband took control of his death through voluntary assisted dying that allowed him to "peacefully" slip away in his own bed surrounded by family.

Also reported by: [Gold Coast Bulletin \(Online\)](#), [Northern Territory News \(Online\)](#), [The Courier Mail \(Online\)](#), [Adelaide Now \(Online\)](#), [Townsville Bulletin \(Online\)](#).

Capital labour limbo: Hobart Private Hospital keeps mum on maternity ward future

Daily Telegraph Australia, Other, 16/02/2025, Duncan Abey

Tasmania's public health system is facing a potential surge in demand from expectant parents in coming months, amid fears Hobart Private Hospital is set to scrap maternity services.

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Tyrone was balding at 15 and 'looking 35'. A trip to Türkiye changed everything

SBS, Other, 16/02/2025, Matt Gazy

As Australian men go to countries such as Türkiye and Thailand for cheaper hair transplants, some industry experts are concerned they're being targeted by unqualified operators — and could end up spending more getting bad treatments fixed when they get back.

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'It can be really frightening': knowing the common signs that a loved one is dying can help in their final days

The Guardian, Other, 16/02/2025, Lydia Hales

My mum died on a summer's morning. When I walked out of the hospital, where I had spent the last several days and nights curled on a small couch next to her bed, I felt like a stray root of some ancient tree that had accidentally broken out of the earth and into foreign air – wholly unprepared for the strange world I now found myself in.

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Medicare for pharmacist prescribing?

Australian Journal of Pharmacy, Other, 16/02/2025

Pharmacist prescribing has seen "rapid" expansion in Australia, but out-of-pocket expenses raise questions of equity, according to the authors of a new paper including Dr Sarah Dineen-Griffin, chief investigator and project

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Linking antibiotic use with socio-economic status: insights to combat antimicrobial resistance

Medical Journal of Australia, Other, 17/02/2025

New research uncovers how socio-economic disparities influence antibiotic use in Australia, providing critical tools to address AMR.

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MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION

Autism surge in girls

West Australian, General News, 17/02/2025, Bethany Hiatt, Page 16

[...] A surge in the number of teenage girls seeking an autism diagnosis has prompted Perth GP Andrew Leech to call for more support to stop them falling through the cracks in their early years.

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Join blokes' walk for mental health

Shepparton News, General News, 17/02/2025, Sharlene Baldo, Page 3

Mental health can be a sensitive topic of discussion. Dale Skinner, who leads Shepparton's Walk for a Bloke, has been facing his own mental health challenges since adolescence.

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Fewer local groups, more loneliness

Western Advocate, General News, 17/02/2025, Emily Middleton, Page 3

Farmers have called on the government to invest in more social connection services in the bush, after 54 per cent of people in the regions experience loneliness, according to the state's Mental Health Commission.

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James thought he was just stressed – then the panic attacks started

The Guardian, Other, 17/02/2025, Diane Young

The modern mind is a column where experts discuss mental health issues they are seeing in their work James* never thought of himself as someone who struggled with anxiety.

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Libraries across Australia are safe havens for vulnerable people – so some are hiring social workers to help

The Guardian, Other, 16/02/2025, Tory Shepherd

Other services are increasingly telling clients that their local library can help them, and staff there are coming under pressure Lizzie Flaherty works in a library, but she's not a librarian.

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HEALTH WORKFORCE

Next generation of doctors will thrive

Daily Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Finn Coleman, Page 3

Around 100 medical students, from first to sixth year, are studying at the new \$26 million state-of-the-art medical training facility.

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Health hub being piloted locally aims to address doctor shortage in the bush

Northern Daily Leader, General News, 17/02/2025, Lydia Roberts, Page 4

A health hub for rural communities is being piloted in Glen Innes. From next month, residents will be able to access online therapy, counselling, psychiatry and employee assistance programs from the hub in Grey Street.

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Career pivots to healthcare take off as mature-age students seek meaningful work

ABC Online, Other, 16/02/2025, Conor Byrne

Will Reid's previous jobs have ranged from truck driver to mine worker and construction labourer. Now, he is switching the hard hat for scrubs as he starts a new career as a registered nurse.

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BENEFITS INTEGRITY

Colleague 'killed' patient: Doctor

Daily Telegraph, General News, 17/02/2025, Sarah Booth, Page 9

A major hospital has suspended a surgeon for allegedly making "disparaging" comments about a colleague he claimed "killed a patient", court documents have revealed.

Also reported by: [Northern Territory News \(Online\)](#), [The Mercury \(Online\)](#), [The Courier Mail \(Online\)](#), [Daily Telegraph Australia \(Online\)](#), [Toowoomba Chronicle \(Online\)](#), [Geelong Advertiser \(Online\)](#), [Adelaide Now \(Online\)](#).

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The hard edge to Dutton's softer side

Sydney Morning Herald, General News, 17/02/2025, Sean Kelly, Page 22

On Thursday, responding to video of repellent comments from two NSW nurses about killing Israelis, Peter Dutton said we had to find out how one "became an Australian citizen and where the failing in the system originated and how we can make sure it doesn't happen again".

Also reported by: [Age \(Melbourne\)](#).

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SPORT

Health club runs \$30k queue-jumper special

Australian Financial Review, General News, 17/02/2025, Mark Di Stefano and Hannah Wotton, Page 35

Is an exclusive club still exclusive if, for a cool \$30,000, you can jump the queue for membership?

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Woke-up call for sports funding

Adelaide Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, John Rolfe, Page 3

A federal scheme that thousands of local sports clubs and community groups use to buy balls, air-

conditioners, carpet and pie warmers has been altered by the Albanese government to favour spending on First Nations cultural spaces, gender-neutral facilities and websites that "support newly arrived immigrants who are not citizens".

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'It doesn't pass the sniff test': Banned Sinner to remain No.1

Age, Sport, 17/02/2025, Marc McGowan, Page 40

Jannik Sinner is set to retain his world No.1 ranking despite serving a three-month anti-doping suspension until early May as former Australian Open boss Paul McNamee says the timing of the ban leaves a "sour taste".

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Nick gives sinner a serve

Canberra Times, Sport, 17/02/2025, Caden Helmers, Page 32

Jannik Sinner could lose his coveted world No.1 ranking during his three-month doping ban - but the punishment has still been slammed as far too lenient, with Nick Kyrgios again leading the backlash.

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Sinner must lose AO title

Courier Mail, General News, 17/02/2025, Todd Balym, Page 1

The global anti-doping system is broken and Jannik Sinner's negotiated punishment is another blow for sporting integrity.

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Games rest on rail plan

Courier Mail, General News, 17/02/2025, Chris Burns and Taylah Fellows, Page 17

A direct rail linking Brisbane to the Sunshine Coast needs to press ahead despite exploding costs because it underpins the entire purpose behind the 2032 Olympics, politicians say.

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Sinner to stay No.1 despite ban effect

Sydney Morning Herald, Sport, 17/02/2025, Marc McGowan, Page 40

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Beachley mentors next wave of athletes

Toowoomba Chronicle, General News, 17/02/2025, Eilidh Sproul-Mellis, Page 12

Australia's most decorated female surfer has revealed the three sporting greats who inspired her most, as she takes on a role mentoring the next generation of elite athletes.

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Modewarre CORA sports precinct delayed until 2029

Northern Territory News, Other, 16/02/2025, Eddie Russell

The \$500m Modewarre CORA precinct was meant to be built by 2024. Now, it's completion date has been pushed back by years.

Also reported by: [Cairns Post \(Online\)](#), [The Mercury \(Online\)](#), [Gold Coast Bulletin \(Online\)](#).

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Peter Rossdeutsch picked to lead Commonwealth's Industry Innovation and Science Australia advisory board

West Australian, Other, 17/02/2025, Matt McKenzie

Perth company director and tech mentor Peter Rossdeutscher has been picked to lead the Federal Government's Industry Innovation and Science Australia advisory board.

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HEALTH ECONOMICS AND RESEARCH

Second \$100m donation aims to foil the 'sneak thief of sight'

Australian Financial Review, General News, 17/02/2025, Julie Hare, Page 5

Tom Snow is in the business of backing winners, and his second \$100 million bet aims to combat an all-too-common but debilitating disease that affects 80 million people globally.

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FIRST NATIONS HEALTH

The importance of getting a health check

Bendigo Advertiser, General News, 17/02/2025, Ben Loughran, Page 2

One of Bendigo's leading Aboriginal bodies is pushing to help mob across central Victoria live longer and more fulfilling lives.

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Apology to Stolen Generations: a call for action

Shepparton News, General News, 17/02/2025, Page 8

One word that held such power. For some it was a word that was avoided lest it implied an assumption of blame, of guilt. For others, it was an acknowledgement that a great wrong had been done.

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Indigenous Policy Evaluation Commissioner Selwyn Button

Toowoomba Chronicle, Other, 15/02/2025, Michael Madigan

You may not know his name, but Selwyn Button's journey from a childhood playing footy in Cherbourg to the halls of Harvard University - with a few stops in between - is fascinating and inspires his next role helping Indigenous Australians to a prosperous future.

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THERAPEUTIC GOODS ADMINISTRATION

Drug pulls its weight

Herald Sun, General News, 17/02/2025, Robyn Riley, Page 1

[...] The Therapeutics Goods Administration approval follows a clinical trial that showed 2.4mg of semaglutide weekly reduced cardiovascular events by 20 per cent.

Also reported by: [Daily Telegraph \(Sydney\)](#), [Courier Mail \(Brisbane\)](#), [Adelaide Advertiser \(Adelaide\)](#), [West](#)

Why the weight of the world is on our shoulders

Toowoomba Chronicle, General News, 17/02/2025, Julie Cross, Page 15

Increasingly sedentary lives and ballooning waistlines are motivating one in 10 Australians to ask their GP about weight loss drugs.

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Injection gives hope after lifelong battle with weight

Townsville Bulletin, General News, 17/02/2025, Tamara McDonald and Ashleigh Gleeson, Page 15

[...] A Therapeutic Goods Administration spokesman said it had not identified any safety issues related to lack of effectiveness for Wegovy.

Also reported by: [Geelong Advertiser \(Geelong\)](#).

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Weight loss drug's dual role in battle of obesity

Townsville Bulletin, General News, 17/02/2025, Robyn Riley, Page 15

Tga approves use of Wegovy for cardiovascular disease For the first time a semaglutide weight loss drug has been approved for use in Australia to also treat cardiovascular disease in obese and overweight patients. [...] On its website the TGA says: "Wegovy is indicated as an adjunct to standard of care therapy to reduce the risk of major adverse cardiovascular events (cardiovascular death, non-fatal myocardial infarction or non-fatal stroke) in adults with established cardiovascular disease who are overweight or obese and do not have diabetes.

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OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL

Cannabis poisonings among children increasing

Medical Journal of Australia, Other, 17/02/2025

As access to medicinal cannabis in Australia increases, so too does the risk of poisoning, especially in adolescents and small children.

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