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- **Sunday Telegraph** (page 1) reports a campaign supported by the Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation is calling on federal Health Minister Mark Butler to commit $84 million in dedicated research funding for ovarian cancer.
- **Sun Herald** (page 1) reports nutrition experts are warning that people using GLP-1 weight-loss drugs risk malnutrition and muscle loss, with new research identifying a critical evidence gap on associated health hazards.

- **Sunday Mail Adelaide** (page 1) reports that world-first Adelaide University research on sheep found semaglutide, the active ingredient in Ozempic, significantly reduces uterine blood flow and foetal oxygen levels in late-stage gestation.
- **ABC Online** (online) reports a multi-billion-dollar black market for unapproved peptides is thriving, with authorities struggling to curb the trade despite increasing reports of adverse effects. *Also reported by: ABC News*
- **Sunday Mail Brisbane** (page 20) reports that health experts have warned parents of a heightened risk to unvaccinated infants as whooping cough vaccination rates fall to a 25-year low across several popular Australian holiday destinations.
- **Sunday Tasmanian** (page 9) reports that Tasmanian nurses and midwives have held a stop-work rally, rejecting the state government's latest enterprise bargaining offer over concerns regarding uncompetitive wages and restrictive leave entitlements. *Also reported by: Sunday Canberra Times, ABC Online*
- **The Australian** (online) reports a vaccine for Group A Streptococcus, a condition that disproportionately affects Indigenous Australians, is entering a critical human trial in Melbourne.
- **Sunday Telegraph** (page 7) reports that cancer patients in remission and Australian Red Cross Lifeblood are urging the public to donate plasma to combat an unprecedented national shortage driven by a growing, life-long clinical demand.
- **Sunday Mail Adelaide** (page 9) reports new AIHW data shows government spending on public health and prevention was 2.8 per cent of the total health budget in 2024-25, well below the National Preventive Health Strategy's 5 per cent target.

Minister Butler

Minister Butler, don't let Mum's death be in vain

Sunday Telegraph, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Kaitlyn Hudson-O'Farrell, Page 1

Sabrina Damiano was too young to remember losing her mother Antonietta to ovarian cancer. [...] It's why Ms Damiano has written to federal Health Minister Mark Butler today to ask him to ensure that "no other child grows up without their mother".

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Also reported by: *Sunday Herald Sun, Sunday Mail Brisbane, Sunday Mail Adelaide*

Payday looming for undervalued Australian workers

South Coast Register, General News, 07 Nov 2026, Catherine Bouris, Page 40

A big payout is on the cards for workers in industries found to be undervalued. [...] Health Minister Mark Butler said the investment would not only retain existing workers, but also make the sector more attractive to future workers, ensuring a stronger workforce in the future.

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Anthony Albanese relies on voter apathy as economic crisis threatens federal Labor's re-election

The Mercury, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Kylie Lang

Labor might be increasingly on the nose but the one thing – and possibly the only thing – it can lean on ahead of the next federal election is that many Australian voters are ignorant. [...] More than half also could

not name the Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister, Richard Marles, and the Health and NDIS Minister, Mark Butler.

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Department

How did your department spend its budget during the public service redundancy year?

Canberra Times, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Ray Athwal

The era of the frequent-flying public servant may be over, but the reign of highly paid consultants is refusing to vanish. [...] However, the Health department added $39.2 to its ICT spend while the Veterans'

Affairs department's spending in the space skyrocketed to 122.4 per cent.

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Ageing and Aged Care

Funding support boost

Sunday Territorian, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Lottie Hood, Page 11

Three Northern Territory organisations based in Alice Springs, East Arnhem and Darwin have received a funding boost in helping spread dementia awareness in their communities. The winning NT organisations are three of 11 Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and culturally and linguistically diverse community groups to receive a share of more than $300,000 from Dementia Australia.

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Who will care for ageing Australia?

Ballarat Courier, General News, 07 Nov 2026, Colette Browning, Page 13

Australia's aged care reforms promised a system built more firmly around the rights and needs of older people. One year after the new Aged Care Act came into effect, attention now must turn to a fundamental question: who will deliver that care as Australia grows older?

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'Just a cash cow': Elder abuse surges as entitled adult children demand inheritance early

Daily Telegraph Australia, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Angela Mollard

Greedy younger generations have developed a sense of entitlement to their parents' wealth which has given rise to "inheritance impatience" and growing financial abuse. Whereas an inheritance has historically been viewed as an unexpected but gratefully received windfall, tensions are growing as offspring expect a share of their parents' wealth, often before they die.

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Fertility Trends and Aged Care Pressures

ABC News, Weekend Breakfast, TV, 07 Nov 2026, Fauziah Ibrahim & Johanna Nicholson

In an interview with Jonathan Boymal, a population economist at RMIT, he discussed Australia's fertility trends and their long-term effects on an ageing population. He said smaller birth cohorts mean fewer potential workers relative to older citizens, which could make healthcare, aged care, and retirement support harder to fund and staff without policy changes.

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Disability and Carers

The dog ate this trio's homework

Sun Herald, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Parnell Palme McGuinness, Page 26

It was the wrong policy, introduced in the wrong way, at the wrong time, by the wrong people. [...] Last week, Treasury's lead actuary essentially called the government's plan to cut the cost of the NDIS implausible.

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Agency too hard to navigate

Kalgoorlie Miner, General News, 07 Nov 2026, Jo Russell, Page 12

The National Disability Insurance Scheme was designed to help people with disability by providing choice, control and access to essential supports. But for many participants, families and even experienced advocates, one of the biggest barriers to achieving those goals is simply navigating the National Disability Insurance Agency itself.

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'We just need a place to sleep': Perth family left living in car after their teenager's 60-day hospital stay

7News.com.au, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Sophie Gannon

A Perth family was forced to treat their daughter's medical needs while living in a car after being discharged from hospital without having a permanent address to go home to. [...] The hospital discharge paperwork, provided to PerthNow, includes details of extensive social work involvement, including letters supporting NDIS and financial assistance, and a request for accommodation to be fast-tracked through the Priority Perth Interim Response Team.

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Free Trade Day Builds Ramp After NDIS Denials

SBS, World News Australia (Saturday), TV, 07 Nov 2026, Catalina Florez

Free Trade Day has constructed a permanent backyard ramp for a 16-year-old girl with muscular dystrophy after the NDIS declined two requests. Her mother, Sonya Peat, explained that previous access issues restricted her daughter's independence. Founder Ryan Wilson highlighted the initiative's focus on essential domestic accessibility, with organisers now aiming to expand across Australia.

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Primary Care

Malnutrition warning over weight loss drugs

Sun Herald, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Rachel Rasker, Page 1

Some of the millions of Australians expected to use Ozempic and other GLP-1s could run the risk of malnutrition and muscle loss, but the extent of these complications is not being tracked, nutrition experts say. There is a critical gap in evidence focused on the health hazards of rapid weight loss and GLP-1s (glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists), new research from the University of Newcastle found.

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Also reported by: *Sunday Age*

Medicare checks for three-year-olds

Sunday Mail Adelaide, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 25

A new Medicare health check for three-year-olds is now available, as part of the federal government's Thriving Kids initiative. The Medicare Healthy Kids health check was recommended by the Thriving Kids Advisory Group to support interventions prior to children starting primary school and help them to achieve their potential at school.

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Population Health

Liberals pledge tobacco crackdown

Sunday Age, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Allanah Sciberras & Emily Woods, Page 6

Retailers caught selling illicit tobacco will be shut for longer and landlords will be able to terminate their leases without compensation under a Liberal election pledge. The Victorian Liberals yesterday announced their plan to crack down on the illicit tobacco trade as the war between organised crime groups fighting for control of the market continues to rock Melbourne.

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Water disgrace

Sunday Mail Brisbane, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Lili Tisch-Bostock & Michael Madigan, Page 1

A small town in outback Queensland is in crisis after enduring months without clean drinking water and put on harsh restrictions, including to shower only "if essential", because of crumbling water infrastructure. There are fears the crisis could spread across the state amid a $5bn funding black hole.

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Crooks and craters in the gun

Sunday Herald Sun, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Regan Hodge, Page 11

The state opposition has hit the road again, promising to "end the tobacco wars" before the Liberals' campaign bus rolled past one of Melbourne's most notorious potholes. Opposition Leader Jess Wilson was on board and in high spirits on day two of the "Jess Express" which toured Melbourne's eastern suburbs on Saturday It stopped at the monster Mahoneys Rd crater as fed-up Forest Hill locals sounded their horns in support of the Liberal leader.

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Public health missing out

Sunday Mail Adelaide, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 9

New data released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare shows governments collectively spend less than three cents in every health dollar on public health and prevention. The Public Health Association of Australia says it's disappointing that governments are failing to progress towards the National Preventive Health Strategy's target of 5 per cent of total health spending by 2030.

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Victorian Liberal Party to crack down on illicit tobacco market

The Australian, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Emma Kirk

Victoria’s opposition has promised to crack down on the illicit tobacco market with longer store closures and lease terminations. Opposition leader Jess Wilson said more than 300 businesses and homes across Victoria had been firebombed in attacks linked to the illicit trade.

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‘Enough is enough': Jess Wilson ramps up election campaign

The Australian, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Mohammad Alfares

Victorian Opposition Leader Jess Wilson has vowed to end the state’s deadly tobacco wars, using a Saturday campaign blitz through Melbourne’s east to also take aim at Labor over a notorious pothole. Ms Wilson travelled to the ultra-marginal seat of Croydon aboard her big blue campaign bus, where she pledged a five-point crackdown on the illicit tobacco trade if the Liberals and Nationals won the November 28 election.

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Victoria's Liberals unveil plan designed to end tobacco wars

ABC Online, Internet, 07 Nov 2026

The Victorian opposition is promising to extend how long shops can be shut down if they are found selling illegal tobacco. Liberal leader Jess Wilson has unveiled the party's plan to crack down on the illicit tobacco and vape trade which it says has been linked to arson attacks at 300 Victorian businesses and homes.

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Controversial advice on child abuse prevention website sparks debate

7News.com.au, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Lauren Thomson

A taxpayer-funded child abuse prevention website is under review over advice provided to people concerned about their sexual attraction to children, prompting fierce debate about how Australia should tackle child abuse before a child is harmed. Stop It Now Australia, which launched in April and operates a national website and helpline, has come under fire over material advising users not to “beat yourself up” over sexual thoughts involving children and encouraging them to seek professional help.

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Alone after 62 years of marriage, this 92yo found a way to rebuild his life

The Senior, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Phoebe Loomes

After spending more than six decades side by side, Luigi Coldebella, from Melbourne , was devastated when his wife Valerie had to move into care. [...] But loneliness comes with additional health risks, and has been associated with premature death, heart issues, mental health issues and poorer overall health, according to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

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Chronic Conditions and Screening

Donors wanted as 'vital' plasma donations plunge

Sunday Telegraph, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Jackson Robb, Page 7

Australians are being called on to help end the plasma shortage in the country, with cancer patients in remissions urging people to attend donation centres so they can "have semi-normal lives". The demand for plasma continues to grow as it can treat immune deficiency in people who develop cancer and those in remission continue, both of which continue to rise across the country.

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Cervical cancer death rise

Sunday Telegraph, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 11

Australian and international researchers suggest that deaths due to cervical cancer could increase by almost 40 per cent by 2050. The Nature Medicine study examined cervical cancer cases and deaths from 204 countries spanning three decades to build their model, finding that global cervical cancer cases and deaths could rise by 20.2 per cent and 39.3 per cent.

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Also reported by: ***Sunday Mail Adelaide***

Two-tier health system leaves little Hallie suffering without PBS help

The Australian, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Natasha Robinson

Australia’s private market in medicines – led by GLP drugs – has expanded to unprecedented levels as households’ spending on pharmaceuticals skyrockets and government investment in the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme plummets. The enormous private take-up of GLP-1 drugs is fundamentally shaping

Australia’s medicines market as consumers who can pay flock to buy expensive weight-loss drugs while Australia’s public spending on essential new medicines is now so low that the nation is considered an outlier among peer nations.

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PBS rules deny my boys the life-changing Crohn's drugs they need

The Australian, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Sarah Fletcher

My son James can tell you exactly how much water he was allowed during five days of complete bowel rest. None by mouth. He was 12 when the disease first tried to kill him quietly, over a summer, while we waited.

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Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

Blow to mental health overhaul

Sunday Age, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Grant Mcarthur & Kieran Rooney, Page 1

A major IT system meant to underpin Victoria's mental health reforms and replace fax machines, paper and couriered patient records will be delivered two years late - and the final product might not be compatible with all the state's health services. A leaked briefing obtained by The Age shows the $64.7 million system might be only partially compatible with services that already have a ''moderate digital maturity'', and almost not compatible at all for services that have ''high digital maturity'' such as public hospitals and those services catering for the bulk of Victoria's acute inpatients.

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How the death of her mum drove Maddie to 'post-traumatic growth'

Sun Herald, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Gary Nunn, Page 24

Maddie Taylor was 15 when her mother Julie died of stage four bowel cancer in October 2019. Months later, amid her initial intense grief, Maddie became completely isolated from her support network as Melbourne entered COVID-19 lockdown.

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Also reported by: *Sunday Age*

Feel-good 'toad' spray

Sunday Telegraph, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 8

A single dose of a fast-acting psychedelic nose spray containing toad venom could be the key to treating stubborn depression, scientists say. For nearly one in three people with depression, antidepressants do little to dull their symptoms.

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Also reported by: *Sunday Mail Adelaide*, *Sunday Mail Brisbane*

The jaw whisperer

Sunday Times, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Rhianna Mitchell, Page 13

A Perth oral medicine specialist is seeking to raise awareness about the link between anxiety and persistent dental issues, such as teeth grinding and jaw pain. Associate Professor Ramesh Balasubramaniam said he is increasingly engaging psychologists for his patients, some of whom have undergone multiple dental treatments for a problem which is actually connected to the nervous system.

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Ultimate advice for the modern-day dad

Sunday Times, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Rhianna Mitchell, Page 16

Twenty years ago, audiences at Maggie Dent's parenting seminars were made up almost entirely of mothers. Now the prolific Australian author and parenting educator estimates that dads account for 40 per cent of guests.

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'Behind every statistic is a person'

Sunraysia Daily, General News, 07 Nov 2026, Denika Anderson, Page 3

Lifeline Loddon Mallee's Sunraysia call centre has seen a 20 per cent increase in calls compared to the previous prior. Recent data outlined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics on intentional self-harm deaths in 2025 has highlighted the need for collective action, according to Lifeline Loddon Mallee chief executive officer Lisa Renato.

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Also reported by: ***Sunraysia Daily***

Community music programs bring connection but they need more funding

ABC Online, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Danielle Kutchel

For Campbell Nicholson, playing an instrument is a way to leave the world behind for a while. [...] Headspace clinical adviser Cat McKenzie said music programs could help young people in regional areas facing mental health issues and feelings of disconnection.

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Experts raise alarm about 'safe cell' risks after multiple prison deaths

ABC Online, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Joanna McCarthy & Kirstie Wellauer

The last time Daniel Turnbull appeared before a magistrate, she promised to "sort out everything and get you in some treatment". Nine days later, he collapsed on the floor of a bare, concrete cell.

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Calls for Mental Health Services Following Fatal Melbourne Attack

Channel 10, 10 News (Weekend), TV, 07 Nov 2026, Georgie Tunny

Following the fatal stabbing of 47-year-old food delivery rider Jianming Feng in Melbourne's CBD, distressed residents are demanding that the government do more to support mental health services and tackle crime. Police arrested a 51-year-old Footscray man over the altercation on Frederick Way, while delivery platform Hungry Panda prioritised rider wellbeing amid community grief.

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Immunisation

Queensland worst state for vaxxing

Sunday Mail Brisbane, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Jackie Sinnerton, Page 20

Parents are being warned of a potentially deadly summertime risk to their babies as the most popular holiday hotspots are the country's top breeding ground for whooping cough. New Immunisation Foundation of Australia data up to November 2026 reveals that family destinations from Byron Bay to Noosa have vaccination rates 35 per cent below the rest of the country and experts fear the respiratory disease is ready to take a grip on these packed vacation communities.

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Weight-loss drug fears for unborn

Sunday Mail Adelaide, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Rebecca Whitfield-Baker, Page 1

World-first Adelaide research has sparked fresh concern over the potential risks weight-loss drugs may pose to pregnant women and unborn babies. The Adelaide University study shows semaglutide - the active ingredient in medications such as Ozempic and Wegovy - significantly reduces blood flow to the uterus and oxygen levels in the developing foetus when given to pregnant sheep in late-stage gestation.

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Cancer 'switch' hope

Sunday Times, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 25

Adelaide University researchers have found a DNA "switch" that helps the body stop the growth of the most common form of breast cancer. The research provides new insights that could help with future treatments.

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First Nations Health

How an unlikely alliance may lead to a vaccine to save Indigenous children

The Australian, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Yoni Bashan

Behind thick panes of glass in a laboratory on the outskirts of Chengdu, bacteria multiply inside steel fermentation tanks, the first quiet step towards ending a disease that has cursed Aboriginal children for generations – and created one of Australia's most enduring health injustices. Here, on this vaccine production line, a homegrown Australian invention is being engineered to defeat the cause of that disease: Group A Streptococcus, the bug that gives millions of children a sore throat each year.

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Health Workforce

Hobart nurses protest pay offer as retention concerns mount

Sunday Canberra Times, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Tom Wark, Page 35

Nurses at Tasmania's biggest hospital walked off the job yesterday to protest a pay offer they say will cause a recruitment crisis. Health workers from the Royal Hobart Hospital stopped work and held a rally at state parliament at 11.30 as negotiations with the government threaten to break down.

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Nurses rally over pay

Sunday Tasmanian, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Duncan Abey, Page 9

Tasmanian nurses and midwives walked off the job in Hobart on Saturday to protest the state government's response to ongoing enterprise bargaining negotiations and call for safer working conditions and better pay. Members of the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation from the Royal Hobart Hospital and the Repatriation Centre staged a stop-work rally outside Parliament House, joined by union supporters and community members from across the state.

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Loni praised for tireless advocacy

Sunday Territorian, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Lottie Hood, Page 14

Before Loni Schramm moved to the Territory, she thought her career was in psychology. The Tasmanian, who was the first in her family to go to university, moved to the NT eight years ago and started working as a counsellor.

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Future nurses to complete degree here

Northern Daily Leader, General News, 07 Nov 2026, Tom Plevey, Page 3

Moving away was an inevitability for many Tamworth students wanting to go to university, but now a select few will be able to stay, study, and go on to work in the community they've grown up in. Tamworth students will now be able to fully study a face-to-face nursing degree right here in Tamworth, without the cost or heartache of having to move away from home.

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Tasmanian nurses rally following 'disappointing' government pay and conditions offer

ABC Online, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Josh Duggan

Nurses and midwives have stepped up a pay dispute with the Tasmanian government, walking off the job at two southern hospitals today. The Royal Hobart Hospital and the Repatriation Centre in Hobart were affected by the stop work action, as members from the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (ANMF) and the Health and Community Services Union rallied to protest against a state government pay offer.

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Therapeutic Goods Administration

Zach wanted to prevent childhood blindness. Now his sights are set on millions of patients

Sydney Morning Herald, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Courtney Kruk

It was there in plain sight for Dr Zachary Tan.[...] “Based off these images, we have specially trained AI, which has been approved by the TGA [Therapeutic Goods Administration], which can look at the different features in the image to screen disease at the point of care.”

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Influencers, promo codes and deadly black-market peptides

ABC Online, Internet, 07 Nov 2026, Blair Wise

Social media pulses with influencers promoting peptides to fix any physical insecurity you might have. But most are not approved for human use and are sourced from a multi-billion-dollar black market. [...] But unlike the peptides in legal medicinal and cosmetic products, Sawyer’s favourite, GHK-Cu, is an injectable peptide that has not been approved for use by Australia’s Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) and there is no assurance it is safe to use.

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Investigation Uncovers Thriving Unapproved Peptides Market

ABC News, Weekend Breakfast, TV, 07 Nov 2026, Fauziah Ibrahim & Johanna Nicholson

An ABC investigation has revealed that dozens of businesses are illegally importing unapproved peptides into Australia, with demand driven by social media influencers paid to promote unproven health claims. The TGA has not assessed these products, and they carry risks, including liver and kidney damage. Joint operations involving the TGA and police have removed over 10,000 online advertisements.

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Food Standards

Aussies' raw food risk

Sunday Telegraph, General News, 08 Nov 2026, Page 6

Ahead of Australian Food Safety Week, from November 7 to 14, new research shows 60 per cent of Aussies consume raw fish or seafood, and 17 per cent do at least once a week. The research released by the Food Safety Information Council showed that 68 per cent of those surveyed usually bought their raw fish dishes from a sushi bar, 40 per cent from a cafe or restaurant and 32 per cent pre-made from a supermarket or fishmonger.

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