

**2 Editorials****From the Editor**

- 2 Controversies and inequities  
*Felicity Goodyear-Smith*

**New Zealand Health Care Editorial: Prescription Charges**

- 4 Prescription charge increases in New Zealand penalise the poor and sick  
*Pauline Norris, Simon Horsburgh, Jackie Cumming, June Tordoff*

**Guest Editorial**

- 6 Addressing the health care needs of patients with serious mental illness—it takes a system  
*Donald Nease Jr*

**7 Original Scientific Papers****Quantitative Research**

- 7 Access to general health care services by a New Zealand population with serious mental illness  
*Amanda Wheeler, Brian McKenna, Dominic Madell*
- 17 Equity in statin use in New Zealand  
*Pauline Norris, Simon Horsburgh, Gordon Becket, Shirley Keown, Bruce Arroll, Kirsten Lovelock, Peter Crampton, Jackie Cumming, Peter Herbison*
- 23 Prognostic factors associated with low back pain outcomes  
*Chris Gregg, Greg McIntosh, Hamilton Hall, Chris Hoffman*
- 31 Eighteen months of depression: examining the chronic care management of depression with particular reference to Pacific people  
*Susan Tutty, Felicity Goodyear-Smith*
- 40 Effective general practice: audit and feedback for the primary series of immunisations  
*Gary Reynolds, Mareta Timo, Anjileena Dev, Tracey Poole, Nikki Turner*

**Qualitative Research**

- 49 General practice ethnicity data: evaluation of a tool  
*Pat Neuwelt, Sue Crengle, Donna Cormack, Melissa McLeod, Dale Bramley*

- 56 Influences on final year medical students' attitudes to general practice as a career  
*Jobanna Parker, Ben Hudson, Tim Wilkinson*

**Short Report**

- 64 Pulmonary involvement in patients presenting with extra-pulmonary tuberculosis: thinking beyond a normal chest x-ray  
*Samantha Herath, Christopher Lewis*

**Case Review**

- 69 Button battery injury in children—a primary care issue?  
*Michael Sheperd, James Hamill, Ruth Barker*

**Improving Performance**

- 73 Management of gout in a South Auckland general practice  
*Esther Reaves, Bruce Arroll*

**79 Back to Back**

- 79 Breast cancer screening causes more harm than good  
*Yes: Iona Heath; No: Stephen Duffy*

**83 Continuing Professional Development**

- 83 Cochrane Corner: General health checks do not reduce morbidity or mortality  
*Megan Arroll*
- 83 String of PEARLS about addressing addictions
- 84 Vaikoloa: Rheumatic heart disease in Samoa and the Pacific Nations  
*Satupaitea Viali*
- 85 Potion or Poison? Nasal saline for chronic rhinosinusitis  
*Shane Scabill*
- 87 Nuggets of Knowledge: Influenza infection in pregnancy  
*Linda Bryant*

**88 About the Journal of Primary Health Care**