

1. "Our new attitude toward aging - and some changes to reflect it," by Liz Taylor (Seattle Times, November 5, 2007).

[http://seattletimes.nwsources.com/html/health/2003990969\\_liztaylor05.html](http://seattletimes.nwsources.com/html/health/2003990969_liztaylor05.html)

2. WISCONSIN NEWS: "Elder abuse: A silent shame; Day 3: Hurting themselves," by Dean Mosiman (Wisconsin State Journal [Madison], November 6, 2007).

<http://www.madison.com/wsj/topstories/index.php?ntid=254527&ntpid=1>

3. WISCONSIN NEWS: "Elder abuse: A silent shame; Day 4: Easy targets," by Dean Mosiman (\_Wisconsin State Journal\_ [Madison, WI], November 7, 2007).

<http://www.madison.com/wsj/topstories/index.php?ntid=254558&ntpid=1>

4. "Family counseling improves lives of patients and spouses coping with prostate cancer" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 12, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/w-fci110707.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/w-fci110707.php)

5. "Correcting poor vision in nursing home residents may decrease symptoms of depression," (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], November 12, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/jaaj-cpv110807.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/jaaj-cpv110807.php)

6. VATICAN CITY NEWS: "Pontifical council addresses care for elderly" (Catholic News Agency [Denver, Colorado, USA], Nov. 14, 2007).

<http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/new.php?n=10978>

7. "Higher-risk kidneys may help solve organ shortage facing older adults" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 13, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/wfub-hkm111307.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/wfub-hkm111307.php)

8. "Latinos and African-Americans live longer with Alzheimer's disease,"

(Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], November 14, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/aaon-laa110607.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/aaon-laa110607.php)

9. "Genes influence age-related hearing loss," (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], November 14, 2007). [http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/bu-gia111407.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/bu-gia111407.php)

10. US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT: "Generic Drug Utilization in the Medicare Part D Program" (OEI-05-07-00130, November 2007, .pdf format, 30p.).

Abstract: We found that Part D achieved a high level of generic drug use during the first two quarters of 2006. Under Part D, generic drugs were dispensed 88 percent of the time when generic substitutes were available. However, 37 percent of prescriptions were for drugs that have no generic substitutes, limiting opportunities to dispense generics. Overall, 56 percent of all drugs dispensed were generic drugs.

Our findings indicate that variation in the rate of single-source drug prescribing primarily accounted for variation in generic drug utilization.

Therefore, to achieve increases in generic drug utilization, Part D plans may realize gains by encouraging the prescribing of multisource drugs, which have generic equivalents. However, such efforts should be undertaken with caution to ensure that beneficiaries maintain access to appropriate treatment.

In response to our draft report, CMS generally concurred with our findings. CMS noted differences between our and CMS's calculation of generic drug utilization and suggested that this may be because of its inclusion of multisource brand name drugs in its measure of generic drug utilization. We did not include multisource brand name drug utilization data in our measure of generic drug utilization because these data are inconsistent with the definition of generic drugs under Part D.

<http://www.oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/oei-05-07-00130.pdf>

11. US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION REPORT: "Older Adults in Substance Abuse Treatment, 2005," (Drug and Alcohol Services Information System, November 2007, .pdf and HTML format, 4p.).

<http://oas.samhsa.gov/2k7/older/older.cfm>

12. Health Reports (Vol. 18, No. 4, 2007, HTML and .pdf format). Featured articles in this issue are: "Work stress among health care providers," by Kathryn Wilkins, and "Hip fracture outcomes in the household population," by Gisele Carriere.

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/82-003-XIE/82-003-XIE2006011.htm>

13. "Are Americans Talking with Their Parents About Independent Living? A 2007 Study Among Boomer Women," by Laura Skufca (November 2007, .pdf format, 10p.).

[http://www.aarp.org/research/housing-mobility/indliving/boomer\\_women.html](http://www.aarp.org/research/housing-mobility/indliving/boomer_women.html)

14. "Funeral and Burial Planners Survey," by Lona Choi-Allum (November 2007, .pdf format, 32p.).

[http://www.aarp.org/research/endoflife/funeral/funeral\\_survey.html](http://www.aarp.org/research/endoflife/funeral/funeral_survey.html)

15. Bipolar Disorder in Later Life, edited by Martha Sajatovic and Frederic C. Blow, reviewed by Mark H. Fleisher (Book Review extract, Vol. 298, No. 18, Nov. 14, 2007, p. 2202-2203).

<http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/extract/298/18/2202>

16. "Estimating the Health Effects of Retirement," by John Bound and Timothy A. Waidman (WP 2007-168, October 2007, .pdf format, 33p.).

[http://www.mrrc.isr.umich.edu/publications/index\\_abstract.cfm?ptid=1&pid=527](http://www.mrrc.isr.umich.edu/publications/index_abstract.cfm?ptid=1&pid=527)

17. UNIVERSITY OF UTAH [SALT LAKE CITY] INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (IPIA): "HIV/AIDS and the Living Arrangements of Older Persons across the Sub-Saharan African region," by Zachary Zimmer (WP 2007-11-21, November 2007, .pdf format, 38p.). Links to an abstract and full text are available at:

[http://content.lib.utah.edu/cdm4/item\\_viewer.php?CISOROOT=/ir-main&CISOPTR=2001&CISOBX=1&REC=13](http://content.lib.utah.edu/cdm4/item_viewer.php?CISOROOT=/ir-main&CISOPTR=2001&CISOBX=1&REC=13)

Click on "Access this item." at the top of the page, for link to full text.

18. WILEY PUBLICATIONS BOOK: Changes in Decision-Making Capacity in Older Adults: Assessment and Intervention, by Sara H. Qualls, Michael A. Smyer (2007, 368p., ISBN: 978-0-470-03798-0). For more information see:

<http://www.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-0470037989.html>

19. "Geisinger rheumatologists redesign osteoporosis, rheumatoid arthritis care" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 16, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/ghs-grr111607.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/ghs-grr111607.php)

20. "Should the UK lower the age for prostate cancer detection?" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 16, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/bmj-stu111607.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/bmj-stu111607.php)

21. "Pilot program helps boost seniors' activity levels, quality of life" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 15, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/uoc--pph111507.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/uoc--pph111507.php)

22. "CT colonography detects wide-range of extracolonic abnormalities in elderly patients" (Eurekalert [American Association for the Advancement of Science], Nov. 15, 2007).

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2007-11/arrs-ccd111507.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2007-11/arrs-ccd111507.php)