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Hi [REDACTED]

Can I suggest that the terminology for the various medical specialties/specialists is consistent with the Medical Board of Australia Terminology where possible – this provides a connection to the Medical Register to check. [Medical Board of Australia - Recognition of medical specialties](#)

There may need to be some consideration of prescribers acting on specialist advice for indications that are not approved indication i.e. filariasis or cutaneous lava migrans (see this case study [201211ramachendran.pdf \(racgp.org.au\)](#)). At this time, with minimal international travel and available alternative treatments, perhaps this is not necessary at this time, especially with the availability of telehealth and electronic prescriptions where the consulted specialist could actually make the prescription.

In relation to the amendment, I am not sure that the content is correct for clause 1 and clause 2 of Schedule 1 of the amendment. For instance, clause two is “At the end of Appendix D of Part 5 of **Schedule 1**” This clause says where in the Poisons Standard to place the inserted provisions. There is no Schedule 1 in the SUSMP and unlike the instrument that makes the regular update, Schedule 1 in the amendment is not named as being the schedule.

Re Minutes, picked up one typo and made one comment in the document

Regards

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Subject: RE: UPDATE: ACMS Out-of-session meeting - Wednesday 8 September 2021 - Agenda and discussion papers now available on GovTEAMS [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear Committee Members,

Please find attached draft minutes from yesterday's ACMS meeting for your consideration. I would be most grateful for any comments on the minutes by **COB today 9 September 2021**.

Also attached is a draft Poisons Standard Amendment (Ivermectin) Instrument, which incorporates the advice of the committee regarding the proposed Appendix D entry.

We have confirmed, to the best of our ability, that GP prescribing in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities is within the approved indications and that the relevant listed specialties are those detailed below.

With regard to the committee's advice that the highlighted text below was not entirely necessary and could be removed, our legal advice is that this should be retained to avoid any ambiguity.

an indication that is not an approved indication, when the preparation is prescribed or authorised by a medical practitioner registered under State or Territory legislation that forms part of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as a specialist in any of the following recognised specialties:

- (a) dermatology;*
- (b) gastroenterology;*
- (c) infectious disease; or*

Due to the urgency of the matter we are aiming to make the instrument tomorrow. If you have any concerns regarding this, please let me know as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

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