Working with MBS and PBS data

Data from the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) are valuable resources with untapped potential to identify and monitor patterns of health service use and inform health service planning. This seminar will provide an introduction to the MBS and PBS datasets and how they can be analysed. The Sax Institute and the Medicine and Device Surveillance Centre of Research Excellence are pleased to invite you to this upcoming seminar on working with MBS and PBS data, which will provide insights into the multiple ways these datasets can be used.

AGENDA

What data sets are available and why use them?

Understanding the MBS and PBS data sets
- purpose
- population coverage
- common features of the datasets
- what can and cannot be measured
- system rules that affect the data sets
- coding systems
- changes in the data sets over time
- missing data

Analysing MBS and PBS data
- Where to start
- Analysing aggregate data
- Case studies using multiple data sets

Presenter

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Date and Venue

Wednesday 4th October 2017
Time: 10am – 330pm – morning tea served from 945am
Broadway Room
Aerial Function Centre
Level 7 UTS Building 10
235 Jones St Ultimo NSW