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United States: FDA publishes rules for ACNU

On December 23, 2024, the US FDA published the final rule, "Additional Conditions for Nonprescription Use (ACNU)," which allows prescription drugs to be used without a prescription.

ACNU Final Rule:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/12/26/2024-30261/nonprescription-drug-product-with-an-additional-condition-for-nonprescription-use>

Global: Bayer CH, GSCF and BCIU issue six recommendations for scaling up self-care

In December 2024, Bayer Consumer Health, GSCF and the Business Council for International Understanding (BCIU) issued a paper with six key recommendations for "scaling up" self-care.

Paper:

Untapped potential: Unlocking Self-Care for Global Health Progress (Untapped Potential: Unleashing Self-Care for Global Health Advances) December 2024 issue, 42 pages

<https://www.bayer.com/sites/default/files/untapped-potential-unlocking-self-care-for-global-health-progress-final.pdf>

World: GSCF appoints Greg Perry as new Director General

On January 6, 2025, The Global Self-Care Federation (GSCF) announced the appointment of Greg Perry as new Director-General.

Perry brings over 20 years of leadership experience in global health and policy, with a proven track record of advancing public health initiatives and fostering collaborative partnerships to improve health outcomes



worldwide. He joins GSCF from the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA), where he held the role of Assistant Director-General. Prior to that he was Executive Director at the Medicines Patent Pool and Director-General at Medicines for Europe.



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GSCF Press Release:

<https://www.selfcarefederation.org/news-events/global-self-care-federation-appoints-greg-perry-new-director-general>