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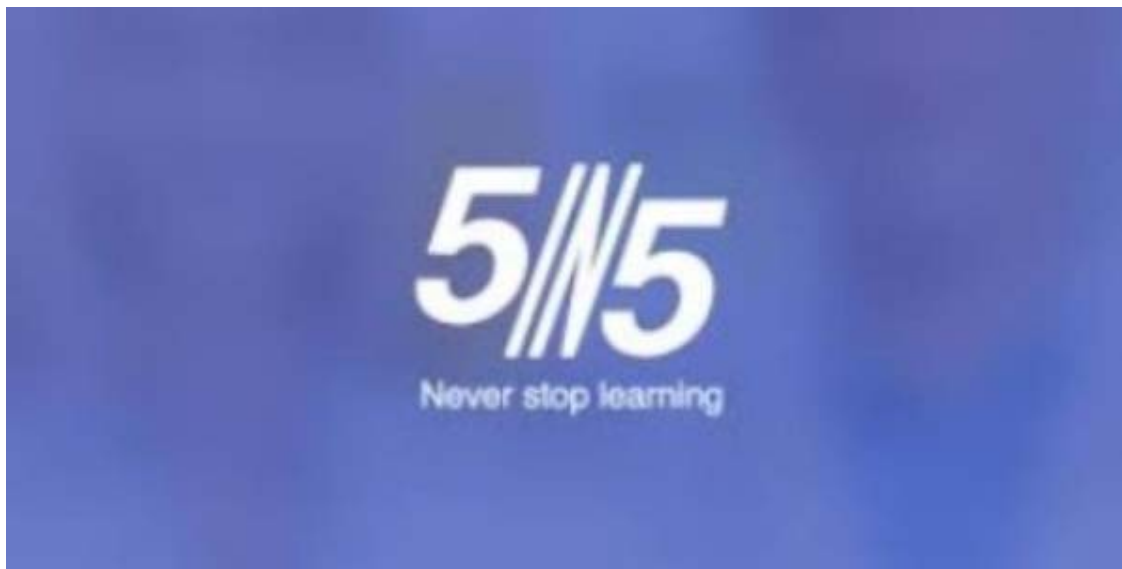
Cannabis Position Statement

Bill C-45, the Cannabis Act, is now law after receiving royal assent on June 21, 2018. The Act came into force on October 17, 2018. On commencement, the Act will regulate the production, distribution and sale of cannabis for non-medical (recreational) purposes. Health Canada has proposed to maintain the current program for access to cannabis for medical purposes.

Now that recreational cannabis is legally available for purchase, the prevalence of use may increase, and patients may be more open to share the fact of their use with healthcare professionals.

With this, the Council of the PEI College of Pharmacists will be developing a position statement with respect to cannabis to provide guidance to pharmacy professionals on their roles and responsibilities regarding cannabis.

Stay tuned!



Pharmacy 5in5–Cannabis Module

On Wednesday October 17, 2018, Cannabis will become legal for sale in Canada. Pharmacists can check out the Pharmacy 5in5 Cannabis module to obtain information on both medical and recreational cannabis.

By the end of the module, you should be able to:

1. Differentiate between the effects of THC and CBD
2. Identify adverse effects of cannabis, both common and rare but serious
3. Identify situations where cannabis may offer a therapeutic benefit
4. Advise patients who use cannabis recreationally on effective harm reduction strategies
5. Assess the appropriateness of the dose and route, as well as safety and effectiveness of prescribed cannabis

Visit the [Pharmacy 5in5 website](#) for more information.

Reporting Requirements for MAID

New federal reporting requirements for medical assistance in dying come into effect on November 1, 2018. This means any written request for medical assistance in dying received on or November 1, 2018, may trigger reporting requirements under the new regulations.

Pharmacists will be required to report to Health Canada, any medications that have been dispensed in connection with the provision of MAID within 30 days.

Information required from Pharmacists

- Patient's date of birth, health insurance number and province of issuance
- Your name, province or territory of practice, licence or registration number, mailing address and e-mail
- Name and licence or registration number for the practitioner who prescribed or obtained the substance
- The date that the substance was dispensed and where it was dispensed (hospital or community pharmacy)

Reporting for pharmacists in PEI will be completed through the Canadian MAID Data Collection Portal. More information on reporting and additional resources will be available on the [Health Canada Website](#).

Updated Provincial ASSC UTI Empiric Treatment Guidelines – Now Available

The Health PEI Antimicrobial Stewardship Subcommittee have published an updated Empiric Treatment Guidelines for practitioners when treating urinary tract infections. The Guideline can now be found on the [Health PEI-Microbiology website](#).

Continuing Education Opportunities

Medication Safety Considerations for Compliance Packaging

ISMP is offering an online program for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy assistants who want to learn more about how to safely prepare compliance packages. The program will introduce medication safety principles and concepts specifically applicable to compliance packaging and will examine the potential for medication errors associated with compliance packaging and system based strategies for prevention.

This program is accredited for 3 CEUS. For more information on registration please visit the [ISMP website](#)

CSHP Education Sessions

CSHP - PEI Branch

Continuing Education Event

Date: Saturday, November 3rd, 2018

Location: Classroom A&B, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Charlottetown, PE

Registration & Coffee – 8:30 a.m.

Presentations – 9:00 a.m.

Lunch – 12:45 p.m.

CSHP-PEI Branch Meeting – 1:30 p.m.

Gold Guideline Review & the Latest in COPD Treatment Dr. Jan Rogerson, Hospitalist,
Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Review of Provincial COPD Resources Celina MacLeod, Provincial COPD Coordinator,
Health PEI

Antipsychotic Use in the Geriatric Population Dr. Tim Stultz, Geriatrician, Provincial
Geriatrics Program

Immunotherapy: A New Realm for Pharmacists Glenn Myers, Clinical Oncology
Pharmacist, Moncton City Hospital

Lunch and morning nutrition break will be provided

CSHP members: No charge

Non-CSHP members: \$30 (payable on arrival by cash or cheque)

Registered Pharmacy Technicians: No charge (if first CSHP CE event); otherwise \$30

** Dal CPE accreditation is pending**

(expected to be approximately 3 hours of CE credits)

Please RSVP by Monday, October 29th, 2018 to:

Natalie Hutt (nahutt@ihis.org)

Please indicate any food allergies you have.

Student Registration Renewal

Students are reminded that the 2017/2018 student registrations expired on September 15, 2018.

Students are required to renew their registration if they are completing structured or unstructured practice experience on PEI. Registration renewal can be completed in the member profile. In addition to the renewal form, students must also submit evidence of updated insurance, evidence of current enrollment in their program of study and provide an preceptor/site approval form for each preceptor and site where they will be completing practice experience. Students registered with other Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (PRA) need to also submit a letter of standing from each PRA where they hold registration.

Students should forward any questions regarding registration renewal to the PEI College of Pharmacists

office at 902-628-3561.

Important Dates

PEI Jurisprudence Exam

The PEI College of Pharmacists has posted the jurisprudence exam sittings for 2018. They are as follows:

October 22, 2018 9:30-11:30 am- application deadline is October 17, 2018

December 10, 2018 9:30-11:30 am-application deadlin is December 5, 2018

Additional dates may be added to accommodate pharmacy assistants completing the transition pathway in time for the December 2018 registration deadline.

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