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Changes to PEI College of Pharmacists Website and Database

The PEI College of Pharmacists have been working on several changes to the website and database over the past few months in an effort to add more information to the website and streamline registration processes. Many would have noticed the Extended Practice Renewal and Application process the year moving online. The final phase of the website and database project will be completed next week and the final changes to the website and database will go live, including online initial student applications and renewals. There may be interruptions in the website availability during the transition. The PEI College of Pharmacists would like to ask for your patience during this time. If there are any questions, please contact the PEICP office.

MISSION

Regulating the practice of pharmacy in the province so as to promote a high standard and safeguard the welfare of the public with regard to pharmaceutical service.

PEI College of Pharmacists AGM



The College is pleased to announce the partnership with the PEI Pharmacists Association to hold joint AGMs this year. This marks the first year the AGM of the PEI College of Pharmacists will be open to the public. All members and non-members of the

College are welcome to attend. The College and Association AGM will be held Saturday May 7, 2016 at 8:00 am at the Holland College Conference Centre.



Code of Ethics Committee



The PEI College of Pharmacists is looking for interested pharmacists and technicians to join a committee that will undertake a review of the current Code of Ethics. Please contact the College by Friday, April 8, 2016 to join the committee. A link to the current Code of Ethics can be found below.

[Code of Ethics](#)

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Health Canada Removes Naloxone from the Prescription Drug List

On March 22, 2016, Health Canada issued a public notice indicating that the Prescription Drug List (PDL) was modified for the listing of naloxone. The PDL listing now reads as follows:

Naloxone or its salts, including (but not limited to) naloxone hydrochloride, except when indicated for emergency use for opioid overdose outside hospital settings.



There are additional steps that are required before naloxone is available without a prescription in PEI. The next step is that naloxone must be scheduled at the provincial level through the National Drug Schedules (NDS) program, maintained by the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (NAPRA). PEI is one of several provinces that adopts the NDS by reference which means that once scheduling amendments are made to the NDS, they are immediately effective in PEI. Until such time that the NAPRA receives a submission to review the scheduling of naloxone, it will remain as a schedule I drug and will continue to require a prescription in PEI.

The total time for a review, if a submission is received, is approximately 90 days or 3 months. There has not been a submission received by National Drug Schedule Advisory Committee (NDSAC) to review scheduling status of naloxone to date. The PEI College of Pharmacists will provide updates on the status of naloxone as information becomes available.