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Opioid Conference and Summit

On November 18, 2016 the Honourable Jane Philpott, Federal Minister of Health, co-hosted the Opioid Conference with the Honourable Eric Hoskins, Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. [The Opioid Conference](#) (select link to view a recording of the conference) brought together a broad range of speakers and participants for a national dialogue on actions to address and reduce the harms related to opioids in Canada. The conference was followed by the Opioid Summit on November 19, 2016. The summit brought together individuals and organizations that have the authorities and commitment to take action to combat the opioid crisis. The desired outcome of the summit was a [Joint Statement of Action](#) to Address the Opioid Crisis with a prioritized set of actions and a commitment to public reporting. The Department of Health and Wellness (DHW) has committed to action items within the Joint Statement of Actions and the PEI College of Pharmacists will be working with the DHW in the coming months on specific action items including the implementation of the opioid patch return program.

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.

PEBC Exam dates

The next sitting of the PEBC Technician Evaluating exam will be held April 23, 2017 in Charlottetown. The deadline for registration is January 13, 2017. Visit the [PEBC website](#) for information on additional sittings and registration information.

College Seeking Members for Quality Assurance Committee

The PEI College of Pharmacists are seeking interested members to participate on a Quality Assurance Committee. The role of the committee is to research, develop and implement a program for incident reporting in PEI pharmacies. The committee is looking for new members to help continue the work which was started in 2015. If you are interested in joining the Quality Assurance Committee, please contact the PEI College of Pharmacists office at info@pepharmacists.ca by January 20, 2017.