



PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

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RP. 09 Application Requirements – Extended Practice Certificate in Dispensing Methadone and Suboxone

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Resources: [Regulated Health Professions Act](#)
[Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician Regulations](#)

PEI College of Pharmacy policies, together with legislation, practice directives, standards and guidelines outline the practice expectations of pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in the province.

Policies use “must” to indicate an action that is mandatory for a pharmacy professional. Policies use “may” to indicate that the registrant may use professional discretion.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to further define requirements for pharmacists applying for an extended practice certificate in dispensing methadone and suboxone.

Application

This policy is applicable to pharmacists in the general and special class applying for an extended practice certificate in dispensing methadone and suboxone.

Policy

All applicants must be registered with PEICP as a pharmacist in the general or special class and meet all registration requirements, including first aid/CPR certification and professional liability insurance.

- A.** Applicants without a prior authorization to dispense methadone and suboxone in PEI must submit an application to the PEICP and complete an education program approved by Council. Education programs approved by Council include:
 - a.** Optimizing Opioid Dependence Treatment in PEI course offered through Dalhousie Continuing Pharmacy Education.

- b.** Opioid Use Disorder Treatment (OUDT) course offered through the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.
- B.** Extended practice certificates in dispensing methadone and suboxone will expire with a pharmacist's registration. EPCs must be renewed annually if a pharmacist wishes to continue being involved in the provision of methadone and suboxone.