# Drug Plan and Extended Benefits
# Saskatchewan Ministry of Health

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## PROPRIETOR AGREEMENT

The Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch (DPEBB) and the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan have completed negotiations on a one-year agreement (effective November 1, 2018, to October 31, 2019). The terms of the agreement are outlined below:

### 1. DISPENSING FEE INCREASE:

Effective November 1, 2018, the dispensing fee will increase from $11.40 to $11.60.

### 2. INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM:

Effective October 22, 2018, the Influenza Immunization Program will be expanded to include publicly funded influenza vaccine administration to children between the ages of five and eight years of age and during home visits and in congregate living settings. More information is available at the following link: http://formulary.drugplan.ehealthsask.ca/SearchFormulary .

### 3. MINOR AILMENT PROGRAM EXPANSION:

Effective November 1, 2018, the Minor Ailment Program will be expanded to include the following minor ailments and self-care conditions: uncomplicated urinary tract infections (cystitis) in women; hormonal contraceptives; emergency contraception; conjunctivitis; shingles; onychomycosis; influenza; obesity; and erectile dysfunction.

Smoking cessation will be added to the Minor Ailment Program once training is made available.

Due to transition of emergency contraception to the Minor Ailment Program, the previous Emergency Contraception Prescribing Program will be discontinued on November 1, 2018. In accordance with the Minor Ailment Policy, no Minor Ailment Fee will be paid when a levonorgestrel emergency contraceptive (a Schedule II drug) is prescribed.

For more information, see the updated Minor Ailment Program policy and subsequent bulletin, which will be available to pharmacies prior to November 1, 2018.

### 4. New INJECTION ADMINSTRATION PROGRAM

Effective November 1, 2018, the DPEBB will pay pharmacists $13.00 for the administration of medroxyprogesterone (Depo-Provera® or generic) by injection to eligible Saskatchewan residents.

More information can be found in the Injection Administration Program policy and subsequent bulletin, which will be available to pharmacies prior to November 1, 2018.

For questions related to **CLAIM SUBMISSION**, contact the Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch at 306-787-3317 (Regina) or 1-800-667-7581.

For questions related to the **PROPRIETOR AGREEMENT**, contact the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan at 306-359-7277 or info@skpharmacists.ca.