

PEI Pharmacare Bulletin

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

Effective immediately:

1. The following products used in the treatment of opioid use disorder will no longer require a Special Authorization Request.

- Metadol- D 10mg/ml solution
- Buprenorphine & naloxone 2mg/0.5mg tablets
- Buprenorphine & naloxone 8mg/2mg tablets

2. Epipen 0.3mg and Epipen Jr 0.15mg Autoinjectors are currently covered for the emergency treatment of anaphylactic reactions, when out of reach of immediate medical attention.

- These products will now be covered as a regular benefit, in eligible programs, with a quantity limit of two injections per fiscal year. Additional units will require a Special Authorization Request.
- Eligible programs are the Financial Assistance Drug Program, the Family Health Benefit Drug Program, or the Catastrophic Drug Program

Telephone Medication Reviews/Follow-ups

Pharmacists are reminded of documentation requirements for medication reviews and follow-ups, regardless of being performed in person or by telephone. These guidelines have been in place since 2013, and can be found on the PEI Pharmacare website, by searching PEI Pharmacare Medication Review Guidelines.

All reviews/follow-ups require that a **Personal Medication Record** is completed, which captures all of the following;

1. Documentation recording a list of patient's medications;
 - Name (brand/generic); Strength/dose
 - How to take the medication (frequency, time of day, etc.)
 - Purpose; Comments
 - Prescriber
2. Patient information ;
 - Name; Date of Birth; PHN
 - Medication allergies, intolerances, other allergies, etc

3. Pharmacy contact information;
 - Pharmacist name and signature
 - Primary health care provider contact information
 - Patient signature (if by phone, pharmacist may sign and indicate it is a telephone review)
 - Date
 - Actions needed to be undertaken by the patient

As per the guidelines, this Personal Medication Record must be completed each time a medication review or follow-up is performed.

As well, the patient must be given a copy of this information/form at each review/follow-up. If the review is done via telephone, it is the responsibility of the reviewer to ensure the patient receives a copy of the Personal Medication Record, either by mail or delivery.