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## Memorandum

To: PEI Community Pharmacies, Maximus, PEI Pharmacists Association

From: Department of Health and Wellness Pharmacy Services (Pharmacare and Pharmaceutical Services), Tel: 902-368-4947

Date: April 30th, 2025

Subject: National Pharmacare Program Reminder and FAQ Documents

As the National Pharmacare Program (NPP) launches on Thursday, May 1, 2025, please review the following key reminders:

- There is no enrollment for the National Pharmacare Program (NPP) for coverage of eligible contraceptives and diabetes medications. PEI residents with an active PEI health card will automatically be eligible for coverage.
- Claims Submission: All NPP claims MUST be adjudicated using AUTO. As NPP is a single-payer program, coordination of benefits is not required for covered medications.
- Travel Supply Eligibility: The NPP is now included in PEI Pharmacare's Travel Supply Policy. Eligible NPP medications qualify for a travel supply. Refer to the *Travel Supply Policy* on the <u>Resources for Community Pharmacies | Health PEI | Staff Resource Centre</u> for eligibility and billing details.
- Diabetes Drug Program Enrollment: PEI residents must be enrolled in the Diabetes Drug Program if they:
  - Require a Diabetes Medication Review or Follow-up
  - Are eligible for Compliance Packaging services
  - Are receiving blood glucose test strips
    - Note: Blood glucose test strips are subject to payor of last resort legislation, so coordination of benefits is required for these.

Attached are two FAQ documents: one for healthcare providers and one for the public.

## **PEI Pharmacare Team**