

MEMORANDUM

TO: PD&T (Provincial Drugs and Therapeutics) Distribution List: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Pharmacists
Pharmacare Memo Distribution List : Community Pharmacies, Pharmacy Association

DATE: March 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Paxlovid Expiry Dates

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To date, Paxlovid has been supplied federally and provided at no cost for those who meet the criteria in PEI. The federal supply of Paxlovid is ending. PEI pharmacies can continue to order federally- supplied Paxlovid through their regular suppliers until it runs out or expires. Paxlovid is currently under review for PEI Pharmacare coverage and decision-making will be informed by the CADTH recommendations which are anticipated in April. We will communicate the recommendations when they become available.

Paxlovid Standard Dose Packs

- Most, if not all, remaining Paxlovid standard dose packs have an expiry date of March 31, 2024. Refer to [Pfizer shelf-life correction – June 14, 2023](#) for the dose pack lot numbers and corrected extended expiry dates.
- For supply that expires on March 31, 2024, pharmacists will only be able to dispense Paxlovid until March 26, 2024 to ensure the product does not expire part way through the five-day treatment course. See below for distribution related information.
- Pharmacists are encouraged to dispense dose packs with the earliest expiry first.

Paxlovid Renal Dose Packs

- For the supply that expires at the end of May 2024, pharmacists will continue to be able to dispense this stock until May 26, 2024. See below for distribution related information.
- Pharmacists are encouraged to dispense dose packs with the earliest expiry first.

Use of Federally - Supplied Paxlovid After March 26, 2024

- Once Paxlovid standard dose packs expire, Paxlovid renal dose packs may be used to provide the correct dose for patients who require the standard dose. Billing should reflect the product dispensed and quantity used.
 - Example: if using two renal impairment dose packages for standard dosing, a quantity of 2 should be dispensed using DIN 02527804. If required, please refer to the PEI College of Pharmacy for additional guidance.
- If required, please refer to the PEI College of Pharmacy for additional dispensing guidance.

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Paxlovid and Pharmacy Distributers

- Information regarding pharmacy distributers for stock that expires at the end of March 2024:
 - McKesson: will be distributed to pharmacies until March 20, 2024.
 - SDM DC (Matrix): pharmacies can order from Matrix until March 18, 2024.
- Information regarding pharmacy distributers for stock that expires at the end of May 2024:
 - McKesson: distribution of this stock through will be available until May 22, 2024.
 - SDM DC (Matrix): pharmacies can order from Matrix until May 18, 2024.
- Expired Paxlovid must not be returned to the manufacturer or the pharmacy distributor (McKesson/Matrix). It should be properly disposed of through the pharmacy's usual process.
- Later in March, pharmacy wholesalers may have **non**-federally supplied Paxlovid available for ordering. This product will have an associated drug cost. If billing through Pharmacare, pharmacies are responsible for ensuring only the federal supplied (\$0 drug-cost) Paxlovid is used. Pharmacare will not reimburse pharmacies for any drug costs associated with **non**-federally supplied Paxlovid until Pharmacare coverage is determined.

For reference purposes only.

Please refer [Pfizer shelf-life correction – June 14, 2023](#) for full information.

PEI Paxlovid STANDARD Dose Packs			
Lot #	Labelled Expiry Date	Corrected Extended Expiry Date	Latest Dispensing Date
GD8409	4/30/2023	3/31/2024	3/26/2024
GJ2965	12/31/2023	3/31/2024	3/26/2024
GG2187	5/31/2023	3/31/2024	3/26/2024
GC8182	4/30/2023	3/31/2024	3/26/2024
GK4940	11/30/2023	3/31/2024	3/26/2024
GR2928	1/31/2024	5/31/2024	5/26/2024
PEI Paxlovid RENAL Dose Packs			
Lot #	Labelled Expiry Date	Corrected Extended Expiry Date	Latest Dispensing Date
GP9562	11/30/2023	5/31/2024	5/26/2024

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PEI Pharmacare Memorandum

To: Paxlovid Ordering Information for Pharmacies/Pharmacist Association

Date : January 6, 2023

Subject: McKesson and Matrix Ordering and Distribution of Publicly Funded PAXLOVID for Community Pharmacies.

In anticipation of the January 11th roll-out of expanded PAXLOVID access through community pharmacies, publicly funded PAXLOVID regular will be available to order through pharmacy wholesaler starting **today**.

- Only community pharmacies partaking in the dispensing of PAXLOVID should order product.;
- Pharmacies should keep minimal stock on-hand as delivery and order cut-off times will be available as per wholesaler contract with pharmacy (e.g. 5 days a week, next business day);
- Pharmacies should only order product intended for their store's use;
- The product distributed will be a single box of PAXLOVID regular;
 - **1 unit = 1 box (1 treatment course)**
- Pharmacies able to order PAXLOVID regular through a pharmacy wholesaler will no longer be able to order through Pharmacare Procurement;
- When available, further information will be distributed regarding the availability and ordering of Paxlovid RENAL.

McKesson Distribution

- McKesson customers must use item# 176421 to order PAXLOVID regular;
- Per WEEK, the maximum quantity a pharmacy will be permitted to order is 75 units of PAXLOVID regular.

Matrix Distribution

- Shoppers Drug Mart and Loblaws should only order PAXLOVID through Matrix Distribution;
- Specific ordering instructions will be provided by Matrix Distribution;
- Per DAY, the maximum quantity pharmacies will be permitted to order is 15 units of PAXLOVID regular.

PEI Pharmacare Memorandum

To: PEI Community Pharmacies, Matrix Distribution, McKesson Distribution, Pharmacists Association

Date : January 18, 2023

Subject: McKesson and Matrix Ordering and Distribution of Publicly Funded PAXLOVID RENAL for Community Pharmacies.

Publicly funded PAXLOVID RENAL will be available to order through pharmacy wholesalers.

- Only community pharmacies partaking in the dispensing of PAXLOVID should order product.;
- Pharmacies should keep minimal stock on-hand as delivery and order cut-off times will be available as per wholesaler contract with pharmacy (e.g. 5 days a week, next business day);
- Pharmacies should only order product intended for their store's use;
- The product distributed will be a single box of PAXLOVID RENAL;
 - 1 unit = 1 box (1 treatment course)
- Pharmacies able to order PAXLOVID RENAL through a pharmacy wholesaler will no longer be able to order through Pharmacare Procurement;

McKesson Distribution

- McKesson customers must use item# 176422 to order PAXLOVID RENAL;
- Per WEEK, the maximum quantity a pharmacy will be permitted to order is 25 units of PAXLOVID RENAL.

Matrix Distribution

- Shoppers Drug Mart and Loblaws should only order PAXLOVID through Matrix Distribution;
- Once the product is ready for pharmacy ordering, Matrix will communicate product availability to stores.
- Per DAY, the maximum quantity pharmacies will be permitted to order is 5 units of PAXLOVID RENAL.