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Memorandum

To: **PEI Community Pharmacies, PEI Pharmacy Association**

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

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Subject: Billing Guidance - Pharyngitis Assessment

Billing for Pharyngitis Assessments - Pharmacy Plus Program

Pharmacists conducting pharyngitis (strep throat) assessments under the Pharmacy Plus Program should use the following Pseudo DINs (PDINs) based on the type of assessment and test result:

1. Assessment - Pharyngitis No Swab

Use when clinical assessment does not warrant Strep testing (e.g., viral pharyngitis).

PDIN: 90109815 **Days' Supply:** 1

2. Assessment - Pharyngitis with Swab (Positive Result)

Use when a throat swab is performed and the result is positive for Strep.

PDIN: 90109268 **Days' Supply:** 1

3. Assessment - Pharyngitis with Swab (Negative Result)

Use when a throat swab is performed and the result is negative for Strep.

PDIN: 90109816 **Days' Supply:** 1

Note: PDIN 93899794 ("Assessment - Sore Throat") will be retired and replaced by the above PDINs.

Billing Limits

Pharmacists may bill one pharyngitis assessment per patient per day. There is no annual limit, but pharmacists must apply clinical judgment to ensure assessments are appropriate.

Reimbursement Details

Reimbursement for swab-related assessments includes:

- **Drug Cost** - Cost of one approved swab
- **Mark-Up** - 10% of swab cost
- **Dispensing Fee** - \$25 Pharyngitis assessment fee

Expired or damaged tests are **not eligible** for reimbursement. Claims must reflect valid and appropriate testing supplies.

Additional Resources

FAQs and the Pharmacy Plus Provider Guide have been added to the **Staff Resource Centre** and can be accessed on the following webpage:

<https://src.healthpei.ca/resources-community-pharmacies>

Please note that these changes will take effect on December 4th, 2025.

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