



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** PEI Community Pharmacies and the Pharmacists Association

**DATE:** March 15, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Pharmacare Transition to the Department of Health and Wellness

Effective April 1, 2024, Pharmacare will be transferring from Health PEI to the Department of Health and Wellness. Since Health PEI's inception in 2010, the resources and direction overseeing PEI Pharmacare's operations and policy decisions have been divided between Health PEI and the Department of Health and Wellness, respectively. However, a recent decision was made to merge these activities and transition Pharmacare to the Department of Health and Wellness.

The decision to fully transition Pharmacare under the Department of Health and Wellness aligns with the approach used across Canada and was supported by extensive consultation. This change will ensure efficient use of resources, streamline operations, and position Pharmacare for the rapidly evolving changes on the horizon.

## **COMMUNITY PHARMACY PAYEE REGISTRATION FORM:**

As a result of this transition and to ensure the continuity of service and payment processing, all PEI Pharmacies must complete the attached Payee Registration Form and no later than **March 22**, **2024** to:

Province of PEI C/O Jodi Small 4th Floor Shaw North Building PO Box 2000 Charlottetown, PE C1A 7N8

Email: <u>imsmall@gov.pe.ca</u>

Timely submission of this form is crucial to ensure uninterrupted payment processing subsequent to the transition. Pharmacare recognizes the significance of timely and accurate payment disbursements for operations and remains committed to minimizing any potential disruptions during this transition period.

Should you have any inquiries or require clarification pertaining to the enclosed form, please contact the Pharmacare office. For your convenience, this form will also be available on: https://src.healthpei.ca/resources-pharmacists

Thank you

**PEI Pharmacare Team** 

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