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**PRESCRIBING POLICY**

**Prescribing and Dispensing Medications and Products**

(17) All members shall:

 (i) comply with all relevant Federal and Provincial Legislation

 (ii) comply with the Prescription Review Program of Saskatchewan

(iii) not sell or supply a drug, medical product or biologic preparation to a patient

 (iv) not improperly use their authority to prescribe, sell or dispense a drug or medication or falsify a record in respect of a prescription or the sale of a drug or medication. And

 (v)comply with the Prescribing, Dispensing of Medications and Products Standard(CDSS Comprehensive Patient Centered Practice Standard)

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(o) improperly use the authority to prescribe, sell or dispense a drug, falsify a record in respect of a prescription or the sale of a drug;

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**PART 13 – PRESCRIPTION REVIEW PROGRAM**

13(1) The College may participate in the Prescription Review Program established in Saskatchewan.

* 1. Panel of Monitored Drugs- The Prescription Review Program shall apply to all dosage forms of the drugs listed in the panel of monitored drugs under the Prescription Review Program bylaw of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.
	2. Prescriptions for drugs covered by the Prescription Review Program shall be prescribed and dispensed by a member according to the policies and procedures agreed to by the College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, the

Saskatchewan Registered Nurses’ Association and the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists.

* + 1. In order to prescribe a drug to which the Prescription Review Program applies, a member shall complete a written prescription which meets federal and provincial legal requirements and includes the following:
			1. the patient's date of birth;
			2. the patient's address;
			3. i) the total quantity of medication prescribed, both numerically and in written form;
			4. patient's health services number; and,
			5. ) the prescriber's name and address.
		2. For the purpose of this bylaw, "written prescription" includes an electronic prescription that meets the requirements for electronic prescribing under the Pharmaceutical Information Program.
		3. ) A member who prescribes a drug to which the Prescription Review Program applies, and who provides the prescription directly to a pharmacy by electronic prescribing, by email or by FAX, or who transmits a prescription in accordance with the policies and protocols of the Pharmaceutical Information Program, need not include both the quantity numerically and in written form.
		4. Members shall only prescribe part-fills of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies if the following information is specified in the prescription:

(i) the total quantity;

1. the amount to be dispensed each time; and
2. the time interval between fills.
	* 1. Members shall keep a record of all drugs, to which the Prescription Review Program applies, that are purchased or obtained for the member's practice and that are dispensed, administered or furnished to a patient in or out of the member's office. That record, kept separate from the patient's oral health record, must show:
			1. the name, strength and quantity of the drug purchased or obtained;
			2. the name, strength, dose and quantity of the drug administered or furnished;
			3. i) the name and address of the person to whom the drug was administered or furnished, and, if applicable, the name and address of the person who took delivery of the drug; and
			4. he date on which the drug was purchased or obtained and the date(s) on which the drug was administered, furnished or otherwise disposed of.
	1. The office of the Registrar may gather and analyze information pertaining to the prescribing and dispensing of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies in Saskatchewan for the purpose of limiting the inappropriate prescribing/dispensing and inappropriate use of such drugs. In order to fulfill that role, the office of the Registrar may, among other activities:
		1. Generally, provide education to members in order to encourage appropriate prescribing and dispensing practices by members;
		2. Alert members to possible inappropriate use of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies by patients to whom they have prescribed or dispensed such drugs;
		3. Alert members to possible inappropriate prescribing or dispensing medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies;
		4. Make recommendations to members with respect to that member's prescribing and dispensing of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies;
		5. Require a member to provide explanations of his or her prescribing and dispensing of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies. In making requests for an explanation, the office of the Registrar may require the member to provide information about the patient, the reasons for prescribing and/or dispensing to the patient, and any knowledge which the member may have about other narcotics or controlled drugs received by the patient;
		6. Cause information, concerns or opinions of general application to the profession to be communicated to members without identifying the particular member to whom such information relates;
		7. Provide information gathered in connection with the Prescription Review Program to another health professional regulatory body including the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists, the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses’ Association or the College of Physicians and Surgeons o f

Saskatchewan provided the information gathered is required by that body to perform and carry out the duties of that health professional regulatory body pursuant to an Act with respect to regulating the profession. Where the personal health information relates to a member of the health professional body seeking disclosure, disclosure by the office of the Registrar of that information may only be made in accordance with The *Health Information Protection Act,* and in particular section 27(5) of that Act.

* 1. A member shall respond to such requests for explanation, as described in paragraph (4)(e) above, from the office of the Registrar within 14 days of receipt of such a request for information.
	2. The office of the Registrar may extend the deadline for reply at his or her discretion, upon receipt of a written request for extension from the member.
	3. A member who receives such a request for information shall comply, to the best of his or her ability, full and accurately with such requests for information.
	4. The College may enter into an agreement with a person or organization to do any or all of the following:
1. access and analyze information in the prescription review database pertaining to members’ prescribing and dispensing;
2. advise the College of concerns pertaining to members’ prescribing and dispensing;
3. advise the College of possible inappropriate use of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies by patients to whom members have prescribed and dispensed such medications;
4. provide general education to members pertaining to prescribing and dispensing of Prescription Review Program medications; and
5. alert the College to possible inappropriate use of medications to which the Prescription Review Program applies by patients to whom a member has prescribed or dispensed such medications.