



# Friday Five

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## Amendments to the Drug Scheduling of Modified-Release Ibuprofen & Esomeprazole

In April of this year, recommendations made by NAPRA’s National Drug Scheduling Advisory Committee (NDSAC) regarding modified-release ibuprofen and esomeprazole were finalized and said to be in effect subject to removal from the Prescription Drug List (PDL). On August 18, 2016 these drugs in the specific dosages and package sizes (if applicable) as recommended by NDSAC were removed from the PDL by Health Canada and are now in effect as follows:

- ibuprofen or its salts, when sold in a modified-release oral dosage form that provides 600 mg or less per dosage unit – is granted **Schedule III status**
- esomeprazole or its salts, when sold for the 14-day treatment for frequent heartburn at a daily dose of 20 mg, in package sizes of no more than 280 mg of esomeprazole – is granted **Schedule II status**

The Health Canada notices confirming removal from the PDL can be found by clicking on the links provided below:

[Notice: Prescription Drug List: Esomeprazole](#)

[Notice: Prescription Drug List: Ibuprofen](#)

## Important Deadline Reminders for Pharmacy Assistants

Individuals who did not or will not graduate from a Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (CCAPP) accredited pharmacy

## Professional Development Opportunities

### [Health Sciences Centre](#)

#### [Administration of Injections Practical Skills Workshop](#)

Attend one of two available sessions:

Saturday, October 15th, 2016

or Saturday, October 22nd, 2016

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#### [Bug Day](#)

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

### [University of Manitoba](#)

#### [Faculty of Health Sciences](#)

#### [Oral-Systemic Health Education for Non-Dental Healthcare Providers](#)

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technician program, but meet the minimum work and/or teaching experience requirements in the field of pharmacy, can complete the PEBC Evaluating Exam and *National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities* (NAPRA) National Pharmacy Technician Bridging Education Program in order to pursue regulation as a pharmacy technician.

All Canadian pharmacy assistants currently in the profession must pass the PEBC Pharmacy Technician Evaluating Examination by December 31, 2018, in order to be eligible to apply for the PEBC Qualifying Examination. There are only a limited number of opportunities remaining to write this exam before the December 31, 2018 deadline. After this time, only Canadian graduates of a CCAPP-accredited program will be eligible to apply for the Qualifying Examination.

The Spring Pharmacy Technician Evaluating Examination is scheduled in Winnipeg for April 23, 2017. The deadline to apply for the exam is January 13, 2017. Please see the [PEBC](#) website for qualification requirements and for more information on how to apply.

As well, the NAPRA National Pharmacy Technician Bridging Education Program is offered online and in person in Winnipeg. For more information on the providers and upcoming course schedules, please visit the National Pharmacy Technician *Bridging Education Program* webpages of the NAPRA website at: [www.napra.ca/bridgingprogram](http://www.napra.ca/bridgingprogram).

For more information on becoming listed as a pharmacy technician in Manitoba, please see the [Pharmacy Technician webpage](#) on the College website.

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## Call for Proposals for the Dr. John Wade Patient Safety Initiatives Grant

The Manitoba Institute for Patient Safety (MIPS) is requesting proposals for innovative projects which improve patient safety.

Dr. John Wade was instrumental in the creation of the Manitoba Institute for Patient Safety.

MIPS established an award in his name to recognize local excellence in the important work of patient safety.

Patient safety includes any actions taken to prevent harm to the patients, and to educate the public on how to be informed healthcare consumers.

Proposals should contain the following criteria:

- raise public awareness and knowledge about patient safety
- contribute to the growth of the patient safety culture
- be innovative and be creative
- inspire community action

The [Dr. John Wade Patient Safety Initiatives Grant](#) is open to any interested person or organization who meets the application criteria and eligibility list.

**The deadline for submitting applications is noon, November 2, 2016.**

[Click here to view application.](#)

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## CAPhO

### Oncology Fundamentals Day

October 1, 2016

Registration deadlines:

Early Bird:

Monday, September 12, 2016

Online Registration closes:

Friday, September 30, 2016

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## Pear Health eLearning

### Comprehensive Asthma, COPD and Patient Education Program

Expires:

Oct 7, 2016

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## RESPTREC™

### COPD

October 15-16, 2016

Registration deadline

Saturday, August 27, 2016

### Spirometry

October 1, 2016

Registration deadline

Thursday, September 1, 2016

### Asthma

October 27-28, 2016

Registration deadline

Thursday, September 8, 2016

### Education for Chronic Disease

October 29-30, 2016

Registration deadline

Saturday, September 10, 2016

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Online Programs:

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## Golf tournament set for September 1<sup>st</sup>

The College of Pharmacists of Manitoba will hold its Annual Golf Tournament on Thursday, September 1, 2016. This year's tournament will take place at the Selkirk Golf & Country Club and as tournaments in past years, this year's tournament offers pharmacists, pharmacies and other industry-related businesses the chance to golf with their peers, become a hole sponsor and enjoy a great day on the course.

The College is still seeking [hole sponsors](#) and golfers for this year's golf event. While the number of attendees for this event have been steadily declining, we encourage you to show your support for the annual tournament to ensure its continuance. All net proceeds from the golf tournament are donated to the Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy.

The College looks forward to your participation!

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### [Ordering Lab Tests for Manitoba Pharmacists](#)

Visit [www.cphm.ca](http://www.cphm.ca) for more information on [Expanded Scope of Practice](#) training.

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### [Order, Monitor and Interpret Lab Tests to Optimize Medication Management](#)

For more information, please see [www.pharmacists.ca](http://www.pharmacists.ca)

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**New Approaches to Smoking Cessation:  
A focus on Nicotine Replacement Therapy**

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### [Vaccines: Beyond the Basics](#)

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### [Self-Limiting Conditions Independent Study Program](#)

Visit [www.cphm.ca](http://www.cphm.ca) for more information on [Expanded Scope of Practice](#) training.

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All PD opportunities are listed on the College website under [Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities](#)

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