

## Satellite Proprietary Pharmacy Permit Criteria

For Communities in Rural Saskatchewan With No Conventional Pharmacy Services

The intention of these criteria is to encourage innovative pharmacy services; to respond to community needs as the provision of health care services in the province changes, and to increase the accessibility of the pharmacist in those communities. A Satellite Proprietary Pharmacy Permit application will be considered for a community in which there is no conventional pharmacy service at the time of application.

Most pharmacy permit requirements apply to a Satellite Pharmacy, with some exceptions.

### **A SATELLITE PHARMACY:**

**Must** be associated with a proprietary base pharmacy;

**Must** identify the base pharmacy with which it is associated on the application form;

**Must** have regular, posted hours, to a maximum of 16 hours per week;

**Must** meet minimum size requirements (20 square feet of working area) for the pharmacy and the dispensing counter;

**Must** meet the Professional Services Area requirements;

**Must** have a sink; water supply (excluding washroom facilities); sewage disposal; printing device, and refrigerator available in the pharmacy;

**Must** use pharmacy specific prescription labels (i.e. address of satellite);

**Must** have its own telephone line and fax line;

**Must** be connected to the Saskatchewan Drug Plan network;

**Must** order its own inventory of narcotic and controlled drugs;

**Must** carry sufficient inventory to meet the prescribing practice of local physician, and the needs of the community; and

**Must** implement an appropriate delivery system for medications that are dispensed from base pharmacy (i.e. compounds);

**May** use common prescription numbers and patient profiles if the satellite and base pharmacies are computer linked and each new and refill prescription must clearly indicate whether it was filled at the base or the satellite pharmacy; and

**May** be exempt from, with the approval of the Registrar and the Field Officer:

- exterior or interior signs (some signage will be required)
- compounding equipment requirements including torsion balance
- a portion of the reference library requirements (will require at least the CPS and a Drug Interaction text);

**Will not** be eligible for a Lock and Leave Permit; and

**Will** be assessed 50% of proprietary pharmacy permit fee.

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