

# Provincial and Territorial Public Drug Benefit Programs

Each provincial and territorial government offers a drug benefit plan for eligible groups. Some are income-based universal programs. Most have specific programs for population groups that may require more enhanced coverage for high drug costs. These groups include seniors, recipients of social assistance, and individuals with diseases or conditions that are associated with high drug costs.

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/health-care-system/pharmaceuticals/access-insurance-coverage-prescription-medicines/provincial-territorial-public-drug-benefit-programs.html



## Alberta Health Care Links:

**Apply for Health Care in Alberta** 

https://www.alberta.ca/ahcip-apply.aspx

Apply for Alberta Non-Group prescription drug coverage

https://www.alberta.ca/non-group-coverage.aspx#jumplinks-2

**Health Care Services Covered in Alberta** 

https://www.alberta.ca/ahcip-what-is-covered.aspx

**Seniors Health Benefits** 

https://www.alberta.ca/seniors-health-benefits.aspx

## BC PharmaCare



#### Register for BC MSP

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/msp/bc-residents/eligibility-and-enrolment/how-to-enrol

#### Register for PharmaCare

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/pharmacare-for-bc-residents/who-we-cover/fair-pharmacare-plan/register-for-fair-pharmacare

#### PharmaCare Deductible Chart

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/health-drug-coverage/pharmacare/income bands fair pcare regular.pdf

#### PharmaCare Formulary Search

https://pharmacareformularysearch.gov.bc.ca/faces/Search.xhtml

# Key Links for info on MB



Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living <a href="https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/mhsip/index.html#top">https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/mhsip/index.html#top</a>

Manitoba Pharmacare Program <a href="https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/index.html">https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/index.html</a>

Manitoba Pharmacare General Questions <a href="https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/general.html">https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/general.html</a>

Manitoba Pharmacare Deductible Estimator <a href="https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/estimator.html">https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/estimator.html</a>

Manitoba Pharmacare Drug Formulary Lookup <a href="https://web22.gov.mb.ca/eFormulary/">https://web22.gov.mb.ca/eFormulary/</a>

# **New Brunswick Links**



**NB** Medicare

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/MedicarePrescriptionDrugPlan.html

**NB Drug Formulary** 

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/h-s/pdf/en/NBDrugPlan/NewBrunswickDrugPlansFormulary.pdf

**NB Drug Plan** 

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/MedicarePrescriptionDrugPlan/NBDrugPlan.html

**NB Prescription Drug Program** 

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/MedicarePrescriptionDrugPlan/TheNewBrunswickPrescriptionDrugProgram.html

NB Senior's Drug Plan

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/health/services/services\_renderer.8875.New\_Brunswick Drug Plans for Seniors.html





Plan overview (including the Seniors' Plan: The 65Plus Plan)

https://www.gov.nl.ca/hcs/prescription/nlpdp-plan-overview/

Prescription Drug Program (NLPDP)

https://www.gov.nl.ca/hcs/prescription/

How to apply

https://www.gov.nl.ca/hcs/prescription/how-do-i-apply/

Are my drugs covered?

https://www.gov.nl.ca/hcs/prescription/covered/

The **Newfoundland and Labrador Interchangeable Drug Products Formulary (NIDPF)** is a list of commonly used drugs which have therapeutic equivalence to a reference product, and are listed alphabetically by generic name.

https://www.gov.nl.ca/hcs/prescription/idf/

# Key Links for info on NS



- For more information on Nova Scotia's Pharmacare programs: <a href="https://novascotia.ca/dhw/pharmacare">https://novascotia.ca/dhw/pharmacare</a>
- Nova Scotia formulary https://novascotia.ca/dhw/pharmacare/formulary.asp
- Registration link: <a href="https://novascotia.ca/dhw/pharmacare/seniors-pharmacare.asp">https://novascotia.ca/dhw/pharmacare/seniors-pharmacare.asp</a>
- Contact: Toll-free phone: <u>1-800-305-5026</u> (in Nova Scotia) Phone: <u>902-496-7001</u>

# Key links for info in ON



## Trillium Drug Program

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/funded\_drug/fund\_trillium.aspx

## Find out whether a drug is covered

https://www.ontario.ca/page/check-medication-coverage/

## Understanding Ontario's drug programs

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/drugs/

## Exceptional Access Program (EAP) Reimbursement Criteria

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/eap\_criteria.aspx

Exceptional Access Program Reimbursement Criteria for Frequently Requested Drugs <a href="http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/docs/frequently\_requested\_drugs.pdf">http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/docs/frequently\_requested\_drugs.pdf</a>

## PEI Pharmacare



- High Cost Drug Program
  - Coverage for approved medication subject to household income test for the following conditions: (co-payment may be required)
    - Ankylosing Spondylitis;
    - Cancer;
    - · Crohn's Disease;
    - Multiple Sclerosis;
    - Plaque Psoriasis;
    - · Pulmonary Hypertension;
    - Psoriatic Arthritis:
    - · Rheumatoid Arthritis; and
    - · Wet Age-Related Macular Degeneration.
- Seniors' Drug Plan
  - Residents 65 or older are automatically enrolled. Expenses not covered under a private plan are eligible of coverage under the provincial plan. There us not application or income test. Participants pay \$15.94 (\$8.25 plus \$7.69 of the dispensing fee)
- Links
  - <a href="https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pei/pei-pharmacare">https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pei/pei-pharmacare</a>
  - https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pei/drug-programs
  - https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-pei/pei-pharmacare-formulary

# Key links for info in QC

#### Know the eligibility conditions for the public plan

https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/prescription-drug-insurance/know-eligibility-conditions-public-plan



https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/prescription-drug-insurance/register-deregister

#### Rates in effect

https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/prescription-drug-insurance/rates-effect

#### Amount to pay for prescription drugs

https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/prescription-drug-insurance/amount-pay-prescription-drugs

#### Find out whether a drug is covered

https://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/prescription-drug-insurance/find-out-whether-a-drug-covered

## Easy understanding of the Public plan(RAMQ) by Sun Life

https://www.sunlife.ca/en/tools-and-resources/money-and-finances/understanding-health-insurance/how-public-and-private-health-insurance-works-in-quebec/?WT.mc\_id=en-ca:social:networks:toolsresources:organicsocial





# Key Links to info for SK

## Sakatchewan Drug Formulary

https://formulary.drugplan.ehealthsask.ca/SearchFormulary

#### **Special Support Estimate Calculator**

https://formulary.drugplan.ehealthsask.ca/SpecialSupportEstimateCalculator

#### Health Benefits Coverage

https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/prescription-drug-plans-and-health-coverage/health-benefits-coverage

#### **Drug Cost Assistance**

https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/prescription-drug-plans-and-health-coverage/extended-benefits-and-drug-plan/special-support-program

## **Emergency Assistance for Rx drugs**

https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/prescription-drug-plans-and-health-coverage/extended-benefits-and-drug-plan/emergency-assistance-for-prescription-drugs



# Key Links for info on Yukon

#### Extended health care benefits

https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/care-services/apply-extended-heath-care-benefits-and-pharmacare-seniors#extended-health-care-benefits

#### Pharmacare benefits

https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/care-services/apply-extended-heath-care-benefits-and-pharmacare-seniors#pharmacare-benefits

#### Pharmacare information

https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/care-services/apply-extended-heath-care-benefits-and-pharmacare-seniors#pharmacare-information