



# Friday Five

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## Health Canada Update - Valsartan

On September 13, 2018, Health Canada sent an [information update](#) regarding a second impurity, called N-nitrosodiethylamine (NDEA) found in valsartan manufactured by Zhejiang Huahai Pharmaceuticals in China. This chemical is also classified as a probable human carcinogen. All drugs containing valsartan by this manufacturer have already been recalled in Canada after the first impurity, N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA), was identified earlier this summer.

Health Canada advised Canadians about the recalls in [July](#) and [August](#) 2018. Health Canada also recently advised Canadians of its [health risk assessment related to valsartan products containing NDMA](#).

The new information regarding NDEA is very limited at this time. Health Canada is assessing the issue and will update Canadians as more information becomes available, including whether the presence of NDEA impacts Health Canada's health risk assessment related to valsartan products containing NDMA.

## Professional Development Opportunities

CAPhO Oncology Fundamentals Day 2018

[September 22, 2018](#)

Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg Presents:

[The 22nd Annual Bug Day](#)

October 16, 2018

Administration of Injections Practical Skills Workshop

[October 20, 2018](#)  
[October 27, 2018](#)

Opioid Replacement Therapy 101 Introduction to Clinical Practice

[November 22 & 23, 2018](#)

Online Programs:

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

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## Standards of Practice – Practice Direction Review Survey (Lock and Leave Component and Ensuring Patient Safety)

Practice Directions carry similar legal significance to Regulations, it is therefore important that the formation of a Practice Direction is made with due diligence, subject to analysis, review and response. In 2014, the College of Pharmacists of Manitoba (College) Council implemented a policy surrounding Practice Directions, which includes the requirement for assessment and regular review at a minimum of every 5 years. As a large number of Practice Directions (13 in total) received approval and were implemented in 2014, they are now due for their 5 year review.

The Standards of Practice Division of the Quality Assurance Committee is requesting your input and feedback within the review process of these Practice Directions. This includes your participation in a series of short surveys allowing for the collection of your responses and comments specific to the identified Practice Directions.

This particular survey within the series will be specific for two Practice Directions, focusing on [Lock and Leave Component](#) and [Ensuring Patient Safety](#). The survey contains 8 questions, taking approximately 10 minutes for completion, and will remain open for the next 2 weeks. Your valuable input is greatly appreciated and will contribute towards the analysis and review of these specific Practice Directions.

The Practice Direction Review survey link can be found [here](#).

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## Public, Member and Stakeholder Consultation on Proposed Amendments to *The Pharmaceutical Act and Regulation*

In the September 7th edition of the Friday Five, the College notified members of the public, member and stakeholder consultation on several proposed amendments to *The Pharmaceutical Act and Regulation*. The deadline for feedback on the

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

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

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All PD opportunities are listed on the College website under

## [Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities](#)

proposed amendments has been extended to **Friday, November 2, 2018.**

Please see the summary chart with background information and rationale on the proposed amendments to *The Pharmaceutical Act* and Regulation for consultation which can be found [here](#). The College is committed to soliciting, considering and valuing the feedback provided by members, the public and stakeholders on the proposed amendments.

Please review the summary chart and associated documents and provide your feedback by email to [feedback@cphm.ca](mailto:feedback@cphm.ca) by November 2, 2018.

Thank you for your participation in this consultation.

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## Updates from the College of Pharmacy

### Professional Development Event

The College of Pharmacy, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences is hosting an upcoming professional development event:

**Title: Seeking clinical benefit in Diabetes care: The fight for the least diminished return**

**Speaker: Dr. Jamie Falk, BScPharm, PharmD, Assistant Professor, College of Pharmacy**

Date: October 10<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Location: College of Pharmacy, Apotex Centre, 750 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg

Accreditation is pending for 1.00 CEU for this session. Light refreshments will be provided.

[RSVP](#) by October 3, 2018

### Save the Date: November 19, 2018

The College of Pharmacy, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, is celebrating the Apotex Centre 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and PharmD Program Approval. Please see the [event poster](#) for more information.

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