Position Statement
Sale and Advertising of Cannabis for Non-Medical Use

Effective October 17, 2018, non-medical (recreational) cannabis will be regulated under the federal Cannabis Act and supporting regulations, as well as The Safe and Responsibly Retailing of Cannabis Act in Manitoba.

The College of Pharmacists of Manitoba is of the position that pharmacists and pharmacies in Manitoba shall not engage in the following:

1) Pharmacies shall not sell cannabis for non-medical (recreational) use.
2) Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians shall not promote cannabis for non-medical (recreational) use.
3) Information promoting the use of cannabis shall not be displayed or posted in a pharmacy, including the dispensary, professional products department, or areas where other health products are stored.
4) Cannabis shall not be sold or promoted in an establishment where goods or services are sold or offered for sale to the public if:
   a. A pharmacy is located within the establishment, or
   b. Customers of a pharmacy can enter into the establishment directly or by the use of a corridor or area used exclusively to connect the pharmacy with the establishment.

The College of Pharmacists of Manitoba has formally adopted the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities’ (NAPRA) Cannabis for Medical and Non-Medical Purposes: NAPRA Position Statement on the Role of Pharmacy Practitioners.

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