Overview of the New Quality Assurance (QA) Program for Extended Practice Pharmacists (EPPhs)

Based on a recommendation from the EPPh Advisory Committee, the College of Pharmacists of Manitoba (CPhM) Council approved the following components of the new EPPh Quality Assurance (QA) Program:

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| Practice Review conducted by College inspector | • Confirms the continued recertification of their specialty if applicable, or additional professional development requirements if not applicable  
• Reviews compliance with requirements of collaborative practice, documentation, prescribing, etc. |
| Letter from Supervisor or Medical Director | • Answers defined questions about the practice of the EPPh and ensures he/she is improving patient care and outcomes  
• Identifies any performance issues related to competence, knowledge and skill  
• Confirms that in the three-year period previous, the member has engaged in the practice of pharmacy in their area of specialty for at least 600 hours |
| Collaborative Team Member/Peer Letter | • Conducts a review to ensure therapeutic appropriateness of the EPPh pharmacist’s recommendations and treatment plans  
• Provides benefits and examples of collaboration with the EPPh pharmacist |
| Learning Portfolio Review | • If specialty involves recertification, confirms EPPh has met the recertification requirements and confirms completion and documentation of a minimum of 15 professional development hours related to his/her specialty annually  
• If specialty does not involve recertification, completion of a CPD self-assessment involving reflection and development of a learning plan/portfolio, and completion and documentation of a minimum of 250 professional development hours related to his/her specialty every five years |

Additional Notes:
- Minimum of 20% of EPPH would be chosen annually for review.
- All licensed pharmacists must complete a minimum of 25 hours of professional development learning activities between November 1st and October 31st of each year. Of the 25 hours, a minimum of 15 hours must be from accredited learning activities.