



# EXPANDED SCOPE OF PRACTICE INFORMATION SHEET: ORDERING LABORATORY TESTS

## Introduction

The *Pharmaceutical Act* provides Manitoba pharmacists with the authority to order and receive the results of laboratory tests following the guidelines and restrictions set out in the Pharmaceutical Regulation and applicable practice directions.

A step-wise approach to lab-test ordering by Manitoba pharmacists began on February 19, 2019, with nine participating pharmacies. Feedback from these pharmacies will be used to optimize the final phase of implementation that will allow all pharmacists/pharmacies that have met College of Pharmacists of Manitoba (College) requirements to order lab tests. Discussions with Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living on full implementation of lab-test ordering for pharmacists are ongoing, but the COVID-19 emergency has caused delay. The College will notify pharmacy professionals when updates are available.

The following documents will help you prepare for full implementation of lab-test ordering:

- [Test Orders Practice Direction and Process Map](#)
- [Manitoba Pharmacist Laboratory Requisition Form](#)
- [Manitoba Module: Ordering Laboratory Tests](#) (for information only without post-test for those who successfully completed the module prior to Spring 2017)
- [Shared Health Pre-Registration Form](#)
- [Dynacare Critical Values Policy and Procedures](#)

## Authorization to Order Lab Tests for Outpatients in Manitoba

All pharmacists who would like to order lab tests for outpatients or in a community or clinical practice setting once full implementation is introduced must complete the Manitoba Module: Ordering Laboratory Tests (including the post-test) and receive a Statement of Participation. Please contact the College at 204-233-1411 to register for the module.

Next, using the following steps, pharmacists must sign into their profile on the College [website](#) and declare they have completed the required trainings:

1. In your Pharmacist Portal, scroll down to the box labelled “My Menu,” and click on “View/Edit My Profile.”
2. Scroll down to the bottom of your profile to the field called “Lab Test Ordering Completion of the Manitoba Module.” Enter the date you completed the Manitoba Module: Ordering Laboratory Tests as it appears on your Statement of Participation. Click “Save.”
3. Once you have saved the completion date, you must confirm your address and employers by scrolling down and answering the questions indicated in red. Click “Save.”
4. A summary screen with your member information will appear. Confirm that the date you have entered was saved by scrolling down to the “Lab Test Ordering Completion of the Manitoba Module” field. Now you may log out.

It is important that you retain a copy of the Statement of Participation for your records, as pharmacists who have made this declaration will be asked to submit a copy of their Statement when chosen for the Annual Professional Development Review.

In addition to the required Manitoba Module: Ordering Laboratory Tests, pharmacists who want to order lab tests for outpatients must complete additional training that best meets their learning needs to ensure they have the requisite knowledge, skill and judgment.