



Position Statement Injection of Neuromodulators and Dermal Fillers

The College of Pharmacists of Manitoba (CPhM) has received requests from members to enter into a practice which involves injection administration of neuromodulators (ex. Botulinum toxin) and dermal fillers (ex. Hyaluronic acid and collagen) for cosmetic purposes. Although the revisions to *The Pharmaceutical Act* and the Regulation in 2014, permit pharmacists with the authority to administer drugs by injection, the complex nature of injection administration for cosmetic purposes is not within the scope of practice for pharmacists.

As specifically stated by Allergan, the manufacturer for Botox® Cosmetic, in the Botox® Cosmetic product monograph and Health Canada, Botox® Cosmetic should only be administered by physicians with appropriate qualifications and experience in the treatment, and in the use of the required equipment. The College of Pharmacists of Manitoba supports this specific injection administration requirement for Botox® Cosmetic and all other dermal filler products, with the understanding that pharmacists are not authorized to administer injections for cosmetic purposes.

It is CPhM Council policy that the administration of drugs is for the purposes of pharmaceutical care, drug therapy management or, in other words, connected with drug therapy of the patient. Drug administration is not intended for other purposes such as cosmetic, nor are pharmacists authorized to administer cosmetics or cosmetic drugs.

Members should be aware that this practice falls outside the pharmacist's scope of practice.

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