

Satellite Pharmacy Component Criteria

The intention of these criteria is to allow a satellite pharmacy component in areas without pharmacy services and to encourage providing pharmacy services in response to community needs. These criteria could be applied to medication being prepackaged and taken to the satellite location for labeling and dispensing or the normal procedure of packaging, labeling and dispensing on site. Regardless of system, prescriptions that cannot be dispensed at the satellite pharmacy must be transmitted or transported to the primary pharmacy for dispensing and delivery.

A licensed hospital or community pharmacy may apply to the College of Pharmacists for a satellite pharmacy component. An application must describe the needs of the community, the collaborative practice that will occur as well as the location, suitability for the practice of pharmacy and the hours of operation. A satellite component must meet the following requirements under Section 43 of the Regulations as well as any applicable Practice Directions:

- 1) be located in a Manitoba community that does not have reasonable access to pharmacy services.
- 2) be a collaborative practice, in which at least one other health care professional in the practice is a physician or a registered nurse (extended practice).
- 3) identify the primary pharmacy, including telephone number and location, on all printed materials and labels.
- 4) have a facility and the equipment suitable to meet the needs of the care provided.
- 5) must not sell any non-medical products or devices.
- 6) have the satellite computer linked to the primary pharmacy computer and, therefore, access to the DPIN database.
- 7) not leave any medications at the satellite site when the pharmacy is not open.
- 8) have a member on-site during all hours of operation.