

HPSA MEMBER INFORMATION ON EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM OBLIGATIONS – December 2016

1. Obligations of stewards under Provincial EPR Programs for Pharmaceuticals and Sharps

As a Producer, if your business is a manufacturer, brand owner, first importer or franchisor that supplies pharmaceuticals and or natural health products to consumers in the provinces of Ontario, Manitoba, British Columbia and/or Prince Edward Island; or medical sharps to consumers in Ontario and/or Prince Edward Island, then you have regulatory obligations for the management of consumer generated unused/expired pharmaceuticals and used sharps.

HPSA is the Industry Stewardship Organisation that administers provincial EPR programs for pharmaceuticals and sharps in Canada. Producers that are HPSA members have their regulatory obligations met collectively by HPSA through program plans, suitable funding (100%), specific promotion and education, program delivery and compliance are all part of HPSA's responsibilities delivered on behalf of member Producers.

To better understand Producer obligations for pharmaceutical, natural health products and sharps under EPR programs, Table A and B., *"Information on Regulated EPR Programs by Province"*, provides a summary of regulations and programs.

It is important to note that packaging associated with medications and sharps is not reported or captured under HPSA programs. As a Producer you may have additional regulatory obligations for the printed paper and packaging (PPP) that you supply into the provinces of Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and/or British Columbia if you operate as a manufacturer, brand owner, first importer or franchisor. To better understand your obligations, you may refer to the document titled *"Information on Regulated Printed Paper and Packaging Program by Province"*, posted on our website or contact HPSA at 1-613-723-7282 or email us at info@healthsteward.ca.

TABLE A. Information on Pharmaceutical and NHP EPR Regulated Programs by Province

	Ontario - Pharmaceuticals	Manitoba - Pharmaceuticals	British Columbia - Pharmaceuticals	Prince Edward Island - Pharmaceuticals
Regulation	Ontario Regulation EPA 298/12: Collection of Pharmaceuticals and Sharps – Responsibilities of Producers	WRAP ACT - Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation	B.C. Recycling Regulation 2004/16	PEI Environmental Protection Act Materials Stewardship and Recycling Regulations
Stewardship Organization	HPSA	HPSA	HPSA	HPSA
Program and Start Date	Ontario Medications Return Program - 2012	Manitoba Medications Return Program - 2011	BC Medications Return Program - 1996	Island Medications Return Program 2015
Designated Material Definition	A drug within the meaning of section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act (Canada) that is sold to consumers in Ontario, whether it is sold by the producer of the pharmaceutical or by another person, and includes a natural health product within the meaning of the Natural Health Products Regulations made under that Act. Specific product exclusions.	A substance or mixture of substances manufactured, sold or represented for use in (a) the diagnosis, treatment, mitigation or prevention of a disease, disorder or abnormal physical state, or its symptoms; or (b) restoring, correcting or modifying organic functions; including, but not limited to, medications available with or without a prescription. Includes Natural Health Products. Some exclusions.	The pharmaceutical product category consists of all unused or expired drugs, as defined in the <u>Food and Drugs Act</u> (Canada) except without reference to animals or paragraph (c) of that definition. Specific product exclusions	A pharmaceutical product means a drug within the meaning of section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act (Canada) and includes a natural health product within the meaning of the Natural Health Products Regulations made under that Act. Specific product exclusions.
Who is a Steward	Manufacturer, owner or licensee of the brand; first importer or seller in Ontario.	Manufacturer, owner or licensee of the brand; first importer or seller in Manitoba.	Manufacturer, owner or licensee of the brand, first importer, first person to supply material to another person in BC.	Manufacturer, owner or licensee of the brand; first importer in PEI.
Web Site	http://www.healthsteward.ca			

TABLE B. Information on Medical Sharps EPR Regulated Programs by Province

	Ontario - Sharps	PEI - Sharps
Regulation	Ontario Regulation 298/12: Collection of Pharmaceuticals and Sharps – Responsibilities of Producers	PEI Environmental Protection Act Materials Stewardship and Recycling Regulations
Stewardship Organization	Health Products Stewardship Association	Health Products Stewardship Association
Program and Start Date	Ontario Sharps Collection Program - 2012	Island Sharps Collection Program - 2015
Designated Material Definition	A needle, safety engineered needle, lancet or other similar instrument that is designed to puncture the skin of individuals or companion animals for medical purposes and that is sold to consumers in Ontario, whether it is sold by the producer of the sharp or by another person, and includes anything affixed to the sharp, including a syringe.	A medical sharp is defined as a needle, safety engineered needle, lancet or other similar instrument that is designed to puncture the skin for medical purposes and that is sold or otherwise distributed, and includes anything affixed to the sharp, including a syringe.
Who is a Steward	Manufacturer, owner or licensee of the brand; importer; or first seller in Ontario.	First person to supply material to another person in PEI; first importer, or first seller in PEI.
Ind. Funding	100%	100%
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TABLE C. Information on EPR Programs by Province

Material	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	PE	NB	NS	NL	YT	NT	NU
Pharma	LE	VE	VE	LE	LE	VE	LE	VE	VE	VE	VE	VE	VE
Medical Sharps		VE	*	LE*	LE	LE*	LE		VE*	LE*			

Terminology: Legislated EPR (LE): programs or requirements in which manufacturers, brand owners and/or first importers are directly responsible for both the funding and the operation of the programs, as required via legislation or regulations. This includes both operational programs and those to be implemented at a future date (i.e., regulations and/or legislation have been adopted).

Voluntary EPR (VE): industry-led programs where manufacturers, brand owners and/or first importers have come together to provide a provincial, territorial or Canada-wide collection and recycling program for specific products that have reached their end-of-life. Governments have not regulated or otherwise mandated these EPR programs and are not involved with their operations. This chart does not take into account initiatives led by individual manufacturers or retailers to collect end-of-life products.

. * legislated EPR being considered