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AMENDMENT: Advanced Method Certification

Based on a recommendation from the Professional Practice Committee (PPC), Council has approved the following change to the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP) document, “Administration of Drugs by Injection and Other Routes – Policies, Standards and Guidelines for Pharmacists.

The current wording in the document, point 6 of “E. Advanced Method Certification Requirements – Injection,” reads:

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6. Annual renewal where members self-declare having given at least one injection during the past year, along with current or up-to-date Standard First Aid and CPR Level C with AED training. Otherwise, re-training will be required.

While the PPC believes that, as with any skill, to be proficient at administering drugs by injection an individual must perform the task routinely in order to be competent. However, the College does not mandate specific numbers of instances when any other pharmacy service must be provided to continue offering the service.

The Committee offered that professional self-assessment should be sufficient to determine the pharmacist’s ability to perform injections and that a mandated re-certification is not necessary as long as “refresher” education is available.

New #6: Annual renewal will no longer require that members self-declare that they have given at least one injection during the past year, however the member is responsible to self-assess their competence and to take advantage of “refresher” education should it be warranted.

Members must continue to self-declare that they have current or up-to-date Standard First Aid and CPR Level C with AED training. If this Certification has lapsed the member will not be authorized to provide injections until such time as re-certification has been completed.