Opening an Internet Pharmacy

The Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP) is the regulatory, permit and licensing authority for Saskatchewan pharmacies, pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.

The College must be informed if a pharmacy proposes to offer pharmacy services via the Internet. Pursuant to the SCPP Bylaws, disclosure of international prescription services (IPS) is required, regardless of whether or not the services are promoted over the Internet.

Besides reviewing the information below, the College asks pharmacy managers to review the document, “New Pharmacy Establishment Guidelines” (www.saskpharm.ca under PHARMACY) to learn about the specific requirements for pharmacy establishment including responsibilities of the pharmacy manager; application and fee(s) process; director/corporate structure; construction and schematics; eHealth, PIP, ADAPT and Drug Plan contract applications; system vendors and connectivity; and more.

For new builds or renovations, it is imperative that the SCPP office be contacted PRIOR to construction.

Legislation is available on the SCPP website at www.saskpharm.ca

LEGISLATION: The Pharmacy and Pharmacy Disciplines Act, SCPP Regulatory Bylaws

From the SCPP Regulatory Bylaws:

Section 2 of Part I – Proprietary Pharmacies

Permit Restrictions, Terms and Conditions

2 Every proprietary pharmacy permit that is granted pursuant to the Act is granted subject to the proprietor and the pharmacy manager at all times complying with the Act and these bylaws, regulations, rules and standards made there under, as well as the following additional restrictions, terms and conditions:

(a) the proprietor shall not, without the written approval of the College, allow, or provide for, the shipment of drugs from the pharmacy, or the shipment of drugs ordered or procured by the pharmacy, to a location outside of Canada, or to another location in Canada where the proprietor has reason to believe that the drugs are likely to be shipped outside of Canada (by mail, courier, or otherwise) in circumstances where:

(i) the pharmacy’s services associated with such shipment are; or

(ii) the sale of drugs associated with such shipment is in any way, directly or indirectly, advertised or otherwise promoted via e-mail, the Internet or via any other means or method accessible outside of Saskatchewan

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