



Pharmacy update

Manitoba

April 2025

Recently the Government of Canada and the province of Manitoba announced their bilateral pharmacare agreement effective **April 15th, 2025**. This program will become the universal, single payer for certain prescription contraceptives and diabetes medications for eligible Manitoba residents (please see Health Canada website for details).

GreenShield is aligning with Manitoba pharmacare and their bilateral agreement, while allowing a grace period until **July 15th, 2025** for existing claimants to transition to these covered medications. We recognize that plan members may need time to apply for exceptional status, and so all *existing* claimants will be targeted by individual mail ordered letters.

Please note, all new claimants as of **April 15th, 2025**, will not be given a grace period and are expected to seek coverage for these medications through the pharmacare program. Please expect the following response codes for claimants:

Existing claimants (effective date: **July 15th, 2025**): Response code: D1-DIN/PIN/GP#/SSC not a benefit

New claimants (effective date: **April 15th, 2025**): Response code: D1-DIN/PIN/GP#/SSC not a benefit