PHARMACY update

National Edition

JUNE 2020

MAINTENANCE MEDICATION POLICY

As drug supply concerns ease and provinces move to lift dispensing restrictions for maintenance drugs, Green Shield Canada (GSC) will be reinstating its Maintenance Medication Policy. Effective July 1, prescriptions for medications used in the treatment of chronic conditions are required to be dispensed at a minimum 90-day supply, unless clinically justified. For more information on this policy as well as a list of affected drugs, please refer to providerConnect.ca.

VARIOUS PACK SIZE CHANGES FOR ADJUDICATION

GSC will be updating our systems in order to standardize the dispensing quantities that are being transmitted to GSC for adjudication across Canada. Effective Monday, July 13, 2020, GSC will require the following medications to be transmitted in the specified format:

DIN	Drug name	Package format	Quantity format for adjudication	
			Unit	Unit of measure
781878	Vitamin K 2mg/ml	1 amp = 0.5ml	0.5	ml
2376393	Neutropin AQ Nuspin 10mg/2ml Pen Cartridge	1 pen = 2ml	1	pen
2399083	Neutropin AQ Nuspin 20mg/2ml Pen Cartridge	1 pen = 2ml	1	pen
2399091	Neutropin AQ Nuspin 5mg/2ml Pen Cartridge	1 pen = 2ml	1	pen
2392453	Heparin 10000U/ml Inj	1 vial = 0.5ml	0.5	ml

Should you require assistance in making these changes, contact your pharmacy software provider.

providerConnect® is your online resource

providerConnect is GSC's web portal for health service providers in Canada. It gives you convenient access to forms, pharmacy manuals and guides, health coaching program information, and many other tools and resources all in one place.

Not acquainted with providerConnect yet? Register today at providerconnect.ca.