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PHARMACY NETWORK NEWS

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Access to Medication Profiles Making a Difference to Patient Care

2016 has been a very exciting and busy year for the Centre and its Pharmacy Network team who have worked tirelessly to connect community pharmacies to the Pharmacy Network. Their efforts along with cooperation from community pharmacies has made a real difference to patient care in our province.

The medication profiles accessed through the provincial electronic health record, HEALTHe NL, are pulled from the Pharmacy Network. This means the medication and prescription information entered at all connected community pharmacies is now available to authorized health care professionals within a patient's

circle of care.

As one emergency room nurse explained, "HEALTHe NL is my 2:00 a.m. friend when a patient presents and there's no pharmacies open."

The week of November 28 was also the busiest week ever for Pharmacy Network connections. During that time the team connected eight pharmacies - something the Centre is very proud of as many of those connections were Walmart Pharmacies with large volumes of scripts that connected without issue.

The Centre is very pleased to report that all 12 Walmart

Pharmacies are now connected.

As of December 13, 159 pharmacies have connected to the Pharmacy Network. This represents 80 per cent of pharmacies in NL connected to the Pharmacy Network.

The Pharmacy Network team sincerely thanks community pharmacies for their commitment to patient safety, quality health care and continued support of the Pharmacy Network.

Happy Holidays and best wishes for a prosperous and healthy 2017!

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Make an Appointment to Connect

The Pharmacy Network team is available to help you get your pharmacy up and running.

To make a connection appointment please call **1-877-752-6006** or email service@nlchi.nl.ca.

New Connections

Here are the latest pharmacies to join the Pharmacy Network since the last newsletter was issued:

Complete Care Pharmasave, Rocky Harbour; One to One Pharmacy, Mount Pearl, Capitol Drugs and Medication Therapy Services Clinic, St. John's; St. Lawrence Pharmacy, St. Lawrence; The Medicine Shoppe in St. John's, Pasadena and Paradise; Cabot Pharmacy, Clarenville; Breakwater Pharmacy, Portugal Cove-St. Philips; Skinner's Pharmacy, Stephenville Crossing; New World Island Pharmachoice, Virgin Arm; Guardian Gallery Pharmacy, Labrador City; Twillingate Pharmacy, Twillingate; The Medicine Cabinet, Holyrood; Central Pharmacy and Grand Falls Drug Store, Grand Falls-Windsor; Kean's

PharmaChoice, Badger's Quay; and Shoppers Drug Mart, Mount Pearl; Big Land Pharmasave, Forteau; Burin Pharmacy, Burin; Burgeo Pharmacy, Burgeo; Catalina Pharmacy, Catalina; Warr's Pharmacy, Happy Valley-Goosebay; Charles S. Curtis Memorial Hospital Pharmacy; Manstan Drugs, Labrador City; and all Walmart Pharmacies throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

For a complete list of connected pharmacies visit https://www.nlchi.nl.ca/images/PDFs/Live_Pharmacies_Connected.pdf

Quick Reminders

- **Having correct ELIDS on file**

Always include the identification (ID) number of the receiving pharmacy when transferring a prescription. Without the correct pharmacy ID number, the receiving pharmacy is unable to accept the prescription from the Pharmacy Network.

- **Pulling a prescription in from the PN when receiving a transfer**

It's important to pull transferred-in prescriptions from the Pharmacy Network. Not only does it save you time having to create a new prescription, it ensures the prescription is entered correctly and avoids having the prescription duplicated on the patient's profile.