

**AMENDING AGREEMENT #1
(the "Amending Agreement")**

to the

PHARMACY SERVICE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
As represented by the Department of Health and Wellness
(Hereinafter referred to as "Department")**

and

**THE PHARMACY ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA
(hereinafter referred to as "PANS")**

WHEREAS the Parties entered into an agreement (the "Original Agreement") for the period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2024 to provide compensation to Providers for the provision of pharmacy-administered publicly funded services to Residents under the *Fair Drug Pricing Act*;

AND WHEREAS the Parties now wish to amend the Original Agreement to expand the provision of pharmacy services to include vaccination against COVID-19 offered by Providers and other self-regulated health care professionals under Provider's direction and supervision, and to support the immunization of long term care designated care givers ("LTC DCG"), in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic;

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and agreements contained herein and other good valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1.0 The parties agree that Section 1.0 of the Original Agreement is amended by adding the following new definition immediately before Section 1.1.1:

1.1.1A "COVID-19 Vaccine Service" means COVID vaccinations provided by Providers, or other self-regulated health care professionals under the Provider's direction and supervision, including those provided to support the immunization of long term care designated care givers, in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

2.0 The parties agree that Section 2.3.1 of the Original Agreement is deleted and replaced with the following:

2.3.1A Flu Vaccine Administration:

2.3.1A.1 Effective Date – March 31, 2021: \$12.40 per vaccine

2.3.1A.2 April 1, 2021: \$12.55 per vaccine

2.3.1A.3 April 1, 2022: \$12.70 per vaccine

2.3.1A.4 April 1, 2023: \$12.85 per vaccine

2.3.1A.5 April 1, 2024: \$13.00 per vaccine

3.0 The parties agree that Section 2.3.1 is further amended by adding the following new pharmacy service:

2.3.1B COVID-19 Vaccine Service:

2.3.1B.1 Effective February 2, 2021: \$16.00 per vaccine dose

- 3.0 Providers and/ or PANS may submit claims for reimbursement of reasonable expenses incurred in relation to the provision of COVID-19 vaccine administration as mutually agreed by the Department and PANS.
- 4.0 The Parties acknowledge and agree that Providers will become parties to this Amending Agreement, and cease to be parties to this Amending Agreement, in accordance with a signed Confirmation of Agreement, in a form determined by the Department in its sole discretion.
- 5.0 The parties agree that the Original Agreement, save as amended herein, in all other respects continue in full force and effect for the term thereof.
- 6.0 This Amending Agreement may be signed by the Minister and the Supplier in separate counterparts, each of which when signed and delivered, shall constitute an original and binding agreement for all purposes. Counterparts may be executed in original, faxed form, or portable document format (PDF), provided that the party which submitted its signature in faxed form or in PDF shall promptly forward the originally signed copy of this Amending Agreement to the other party upon request or as otherwise required by law.
- 7.0 This Amending Agreement shall take full force and effect as if fully executed on February 2, 2021.

Anne Walsh
Witness

Zach Churchill
Honourable Zach Churchill
Minister of Health and Wellness

March 30, 2021
Date

Accepted on behalf of The Pharmacy Association of Nova Scotia subject to ratification by the Associations' Executive.

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Witness

Allison Bodnar
Allison Bodnar
Chief Executive Officer
Pharmacy Association of Nova Scotia

MARCH 24, 2021
Date