

# APPENDIX 2 — THE LETTER FOR ORGANIZATIONS



May 25, 2007

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

Re: Blueprint for Pharmacy — Designing the Future Together

On behalf of the Task Force on a Blueprint for Pharmacy, I am pleased to invite your organization to comment on this first draft of the Blueprint for Pharmacy — Designing the Future Together. As you know, this document is a strategic action plan for the pharmacy profession in Canada, to strengthen its alignment with the health care needs of Canadians and to respond to the stresses on the Canadian health care system.

The Task Force represents a wide range of pharmacy stakeholders. They have been working diligently since January 2007 to draft a document that would create a plan for the future of pharmacy in Canada. However, as indicated in the title of this document, this future vision can only be implemented if we “design it together”.

We are inviting a response from your organization to this draft by August 15, 2007. Attached to this letter, you will find a survey for pharmacy organizations. You can either complete the online survey for organizations (<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=36583907103>) or incorporate your organization’s comments in a Word document and forward this to Marie-Anik Gagné, CPhA’s Director, Policy and Research, at [mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca) by August 15, 2007.

We would also like to ask you to help publicize our efforts with your members (see online survey advertisement). It is important that we hear the opinions of as many pharmacists, pharmacy students and pharmacy technicians as possible. We will be asking individual online survey participants to remain anonymous yet to identify their province, practice setting, and other demographic information. We will be compiling the results in a consultation report which we would be pleased to share with you.

Our official launch of the consultation process will occur at the Canadian Pharmacists Association’s Centennial Conference in Ottawa on Saturday June 2 from 2:00 pm — 4:00 pm with a Blueprint for Pharmacy Town Hall meeting. As a key stakeholder organization we are forwarding you a copy of the draft Blueprint for Pharmacy at this time to enable you or your executive members to prepare for this Town Hall. We hope to see you and many of your members in Ottawa.

This fall, the Task Force will be reviewing the results of the consultations and drafting a final version of the document. We anticipate that in late 2007 we will be in a position to request that your organization sign-onto and commit to the Blueprint for Pharmacy.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact **Marie-Anik Gagné** at **1(800) 917-9489 ext. 225** or **[mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca)**.

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## Task Force on Blueprint for Pharmacy

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Edwards, Donnie	Ontario Pharmacists' Association
Famuyide, Omolayo	Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns
Farmand, Reza	Canadian Association of Chain Drug Stores
Gorecki, Dennis	Association of Deans of Pharmacy of Canada
Gregory, Erica	National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (College of Pharmacists of British Columbia)
Malek, Allan	Canadian Association of Chain Drug Stores
Meek, Warren	Canadian Pharmacists Association
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## SAMPLE ADVERTISEMENT

### BLUEPRINT FOR PHARMACY

### Designing the Future Together

#### The future of pharmacy needs you!

We need to hear from pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy students in all pharmacy settings — community, hospital, academia, industry, etc.

We invite you to complete a 10–15 minute online survey. (<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=798803896791>)

If you prefer, you are welcome to review the complete Blueprint for Pharmacy draft document ([www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations](http://www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations)) and forward your comments to [mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca).

#### Respond by August 15, 2007 and make your voice heard!

If you have any questions please contact Marie-Anik Gagné, Director, Policy and Research, CPhA at [mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca). For more information on the Blueprint, please visit [www.pharmacists.ca/blueprint](http://www.pharmacists.ca/blueprint).

#### Let's design the future together!

For more information the Blueprint for Pharmacy:  
**[www.pharmacy.ca/blueprint](http://www.pharmacy.ca/blueprint)**

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## Blueprint for Pharmacy — Designing the Future Together

### Survey for Pharmacy Organizations

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Note that this survey aims to capture your organization’s high level comments. Please respond by August 15, 2007.

For more information on the Blueprint for Pharmacy please visit: [www.pharmacists.ca/blueprint](http://www.pharmacists.ca/blueprint).

Thank you for your time.

### Survey

1. Name of your organization:
2. What are your overall “likes” about this document? Please include a few examples of your “likes”.
3. What are your overall “dislikes” about this document? Please include a few examples of your “dislikes”.

Please provide feedback for the following sections of the Blueprint for Pharmacy document. We are interested in knowing if you have any red flags in these sections.

4. Vision for Pharmacy (Comments)
5. Introduction (Comments)
6. A Changing Pharmacy Profession in Canada (Comments)
7. Addressing medication use challenges (Comments)
8. Pharmacy Responds (Comments)

9. The Blueprint for Pharmacy (Comments)
  - a. Pharmacy human resources: Are there any red flags in this section? Is this section clear? Is there anything missing? (Comments)
  - b. Education and continuing professional development: Are there any red flags in this section? Is this section clear? Is there anything missing? (Comments)
  - c. Information and communication technology: Are there any red flags in this section? Is this section clear? Is there anything missing? (Comments)
  - d. Financial viability and sustainability: Are there any red flags in this section? Is this section clear? Is there anything missing? (Comments)
  - e. Legislation, regulation and liability: Are there any red flags in this section? Is this section clear? Is there anything missing? (Comments)
10. Please, indicate your overall comfort level with this draft Blueprint for Pharmacy.
  - 1— Not at all
  - 2
  - 3—Somewhat
  - 4
  - 5—Very
11. Are there any ideas in this document that would keep your board/organization from endorsing this Blueprint for Pharmacy? Are there any deal breakers?
  - a. We could endorse this version of the Blueprint.
  - b. We could not endorse this version of the Blueprint unless the following issues are addressed.

If, b, please be very specific regarding the changes requested:

**Thank you for your time. If you wish to review and comment on the entire draft document, please go to:  
[www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations](http://www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations).**