

PHARMACISTS' SCOPE OF PRACTICE IN CANADA

 Implemented in jurisdiction

 Pending legislation, regulation or policy for implementation

 Not implemented

		BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PEI	NL	YT	NWT	NU
Prescriptive Authority (Schedule 1 Drugs)	Independently, for any Schedule 1 drug		⁴											
	In a collaborative practice setting/agreement		⁴	⁴	⁴									
	Initiate ^{1,2}													
	For minor ailments/conditions				⁴					⁴				
	For smoking/tobacco cessation				⁴					⁴				
Adapt/Manage ^{1,3}	In an emergency	⁶		⁶	⁷						⁶	⁶		
	Make therapeutic substitution			⁸			¹⁵							
	Change drug dosage, formulation, regimen, etc.			⁸										
Injection Authority (SC or IM) ^{1,4}	Renew/extend prescription for continuity of care													
	Drugs ⁵													
	Vaccines ⁵						¹⁶							
Labs	Influenza vaccine													
	Order and interpret lab tests			⁹	¹⁰			¹¹	^{9, 12}	¹³				
Techs	Regulated pharmacy technicians				¹⁴									

1. Scope of activities, regulations, training requirements and/or limitations differ between jurisdictions. Please refer to the pharmacy regulatory authorities for details.

2. Initiate new prescription drug therapy, not including drugs covered under the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*.

3. Alter another prescriber's original/existing/current prescription for drug therapy.

4. Applies only to pharmacists with additional training, certification and/or authorisation through their regulatory authority.

5. Authority to inject may not include all drugs or vaccines. Please refer to the jurisdictional regulations.

6. Applies only to existing prescriptions, i.e., to provide continuity of care.

7. Pursuant to a Ministerial Order during a public health emergency.

8. Applies only to pharmacists working under collaborative practice agreements.

9. Pending health system regulations for pharmacist requisitions to labs.

10. Authority is limited to ordering lab tests.

11. Enabled at Pharmacist Care Clinics.

12. Enabled at Community Pharmacy Primary Care Clinics and some primary care and hospital settings.

13. Authority limited to ordering blood tests. No authority to interpret tests.

14. Pharmacy technician registration available through the regulatory authority (no official licensing).

15. In cases of supply interruptions, market withdrawal, patient safety concerns requiring urgent treatment without prescriber access, or medication administration difficulties.

16. May administer medication (SC, IM, ID) route to demonstrate proper injection techniques or in emergencies requiring immediate intervention until first responders arrival.