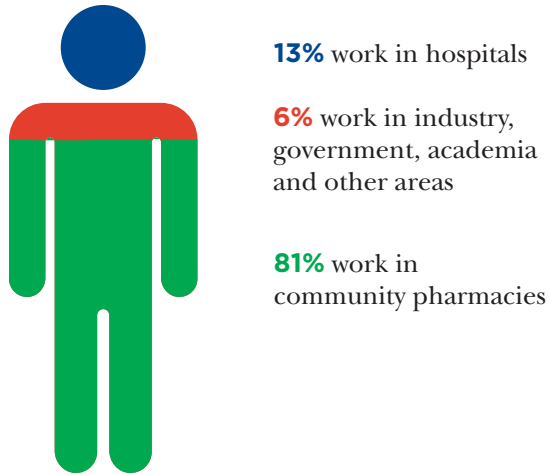


PHARMACY IN NOVA SCOTIA

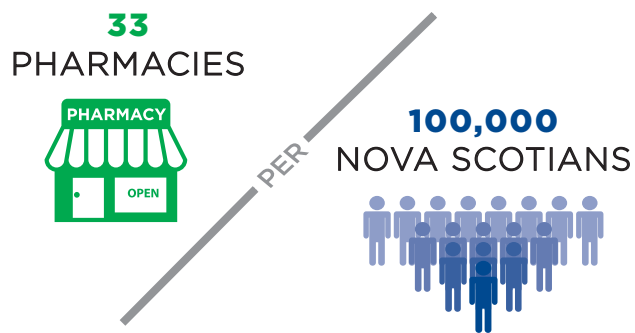
Pharmacists are the most accessible healthcare professionals in Nova Scotia, dispensing and providing advice on 13.5 million prescriptions per year.

- 1,314** PHARMACISTS
- 198** PHARMACY TECHNICIANS
- 305** PHARMACIES

As of January, 31, 2018



CONVENIENT, ACCESSIBLE, CLOSE TO HOME



Conveniently located in every community across the province: 79% of Nova Scotians live within 5km of a pharmacy and 40% of Nova Scotians live within walking distance of a pharmacy.


94% of Nova Scotians say treating their minor ailments at a pharmacy allowed them access to health care sooner and **99%** would use the service again.


91% of Nova Scotians say pharmacists play an essential role in the health care system.





AN EXPANDING ROLE


Nova Scotia's pharmacists are doing more for their patients than ever before.


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Adapting and renewing prescriptions
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Injections and vaccinations
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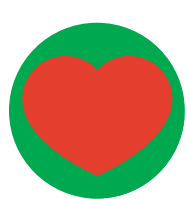
Care planning
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Chronic disease management
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Ordering and interpreting lab tests
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Assessing or prescribing for minor conditions

DID YOU KNOW PHARMACISTS IN NOVA SCOTIA:



Will be helping more than **1,000** Nova Scotians manage their anti-coagulation to reduce their chance of stroke (CPAMS Project).



Provide life-saving naloxone kits to patients at more than **270** locations throughout Nova Scotia.



Are helping **400** patients better manage their chronic disease through our Collaborative Care Demonstration Project (CCDP).



Have helped increase and improve mental health and addictions care for more than **220** Nova Scotians through the Bloom Program.



Provide approximately **100,000** influenza immunizations per year through the Nova Scotia Public Health Program.

PHARMACISTS CAN HELP . . .

IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE

by providing services such as vaccinations at convenient times and locations.

REDUCE PRESSURE ON THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

by playing a larger role in direct patient care, such as assessing and prescribing for minor conditions and providing chronic disease management programs.

DELIVER AN ESTIMATED \$4.7 BILLION OF VALUE

to the Canadian healthcare system by preventing adverse drug reactions, reviewing prescriptions and identifying clinical errors or interactions.

83%
of Nova Scotians agree that allowing pharmacists to do more would improve outcomes for patients and reduce costs for the health care system.

THINK PHARMACISTS . . .

Supporting pharmacy services would translate to direct cost savings for governments, and prevent chronic disease and premature deaths.

Canada-wide implementation of just three pharmacy services could save between **\$2.5 billion to \$25.7 billion** over the next **20 years**, depending on the level of uptake.



Smoking cessation



Advanced medication review for heart disease



Pneumococcal vaccination for seniors

Pharmacist care for patients with hypertension would save Nova Scotia's healthcare system more than **\$490 million over the next 30 years**.



A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF NOVA SCOTIA'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

THE RIGHT TREATMENT * BY THE RIGHT PRACTITIONER * AT THE RIGHT TIME

A NATIONAL COMPARISON OF PHARMACY SERVICES FUNDED BY GOVERNMENT

Alberta

- Comprehensive annual care plan
- Comprehensive annual care plan - Follow up
- Standard Medication Management Review
- Standard Medication Management Review - Follow up
- Standard Medication Management Review - Diabetes Specific Care Plan
- Standard Medication Management Review - Tobacco
- Cessation Specific Care Plan
- Administration of Drug by Injection
- Prescription Adaptation
- Immunization (flu)
- Prescription Renewal
- Prescription Emergency
- Prescribing at Initial Access or to Manage Ongoing Therapy
- Refusal to Fill
- Trial Prescription

Saskatchewan

- Medication Assessment
- Interim Supplies - Continuing of Existing Prescription
- Unable to Access Supplies - Continuing of Existing Prescription
- Emergency Situation - Continuing of Existing Prescription
- Alter Dosage
- Drug Reconciliation
- Minor Ailments Assessments and Prescribing
- Emergency Contraceptive Prescribing
- Contraceptive Prescribing
- Refusal to Fill
- Smoking Cessation
- Compliance Packaging
- Immunization (flu)

Ontario

- MedsCheck
- MedsCheck Follow Up
- MedsCheck for Diabetes
- MedsCheck for Diabetes Follow Up
- MedsCheck at Home
- MedsCheck for Long Term Resident
- MedsCheck for Long Term Resident Follow Up
- Pharmaceutical Opinion
- Immunization (flu shots)
- Smoking Cessation - First Consultation
- Smoking Cessation - Primary Follow Up
- Smoking Cessation - Secondary Follow Up

British Columbia

- Medication Review - Standard
- Medication Review - Pharmacist Consultation
- Medication Review - Follow Up
- Immunization (flu)
- Refusal to fill
- Prescription Renewal
- Prescription Adaptation
- Therapeutic Substitution
- Trial Prescriptions

Quebec

- Emergency Prescribing
- Contraception
- Refusal to Fill
- Renewal Prescription (packaged)
- Renewal Prescription (unpackaged)
- Pharmaceutical Opinion
- Transmission of Drug Profile
- On Call Service
- Prescription Substitution
- Showing How to Administer Medication

- Prescribing Lab Work for Therapeutic Monitoring
- Prescribing for Minor Ailments
- Prescribing a Medication when No Diagnosis Required
- Adjusting a Prescription
- Extending a Prescription

Newfoundland & Labrador

- Medication Management - Adapting Medication Management - Change Dosage or Quantity
- Medication Management - Complete Missing Information
- Medication Management - on-Formulary Generic Substitution
- Medication Management - Diabetes
- Medication Management - Multiple Medications
- Antibiotics Counselling - Short Term
- COPD - Newly Diagnosed Medication Adherence
- Immunizations (Flu Shots and All Injections)
- Prescribing (Pending)
- Emergency Prescribing
- Refusals to Fill
- Therapeutic Substitutions

Prince Edward Island

- Renewal for Continuing Care
- Medication Review and Follow-up
- Medication Review (Diabetes) and Follow-up
- Refusal to Fill
- Medication Management - Provide an Interim Supply
- Medication Management - Extending a Prescription

- Compliance Packaging
- Prescription Adaptation
- Therapeutic Substitution
- Immunization (flu)

Nova Scotia

- Immunization (flu)
- Advanced Medication Review (Seniors Pharmicare only)
- Basic Medication Review (Seniors Pharmicare only, with co-pay)
- Medication Review Follow-up (Seniors Pharmicare only)
- Prescription Adaptation (Seniors Pharmicare only/limited)
- Refusal to Fill (Prescription Monitoring Program Only)
- Therapeutic Substitution (Seniors Pharmicare only/ PPIs only)

New Brunswick

- Immunization (flu)
- PharmaCheck

Manitoba

- Immunization (flu)

MOST FUNDED SERVICES



LEAST FUNDED SERVICES



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