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Memorandum / Note de service

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Subject / Objet : Revised June 2010 Update to the Interchangeable / Maximum Allowable Cost List

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The June 2010 update to the PEI Drug Programs Interchangeable / Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) List has been published. Changes in interchangeability will come into effect on the 21st June, 2010. Changes in pricing related to the addition of new interchangeable/MAC categories will come into effect on the 1st July 2010.

Adobe Acrobat (pdf) and Excel versions of the complete list can be downloaded from the Government website at www.gov.pe.ca/health.

All product availability and pricing has been confirmed with manufacturers prior to publication of this update.

Please contact the Pharmacy Services Office at 368-4947 (Charlottetown) or 1-877-577-3737 (toll-free in PEI) if you are unable to access a copy of the list online.

Please note that the Maximum Allowable Cost List also contains products that although not listed in the Drug Programs Formulary but may be available through the Special Authorization (Exceptional Drug Request) Process. Refer to the Formulary to determine coverage of products under specific drug programs.

In addition, some of the Interchangeable / MAC Categories are only available through the Palliative Home Care Drug Pilot Project.

NEW INTERCHANGEABLE / MAC CATEGORIES

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| ATORVASTATIN | 02230711 | LIPITOR | PFI | 0.8736 |
| 10 TABLETS | 02313448 | PMS-ATORVASTATIN | PMS | 0.8736 |
| | 02350297 | RATIO-ATORVASTATIN | RPM | 0.8736 |
| | 02295261 | APO-ATORVASTATIN | APX | 0.8736 |
| | 02310899 | CO-ATORVASTATIN | COB | 0.8736 |
| | 02313707 | RAN-ATORVASTATIN | RBX | 0.8736 |
| | 02348624 | ATORVASTATIN | RPM | 0.8736 |
| | 02324946 | SANDOZ-ATORVASTATIN | SDZ | 0.8736 |
| | 02302675 | NOVO-ATORVASTATIN | NOP | 0.8736 |

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| ATORVASTATIN | 02230713 | LIPITOR | PFI | 1.0920 |
| 20MG TABLETS | 02313456 | PMS-ATORVASTATIN | PMS | 1.0920 |
| | 02350319 | RATIO-ATORVASTATIN | RPM | 1.0920 |
| | 02295288 | APO-ATORVASTATIN | APX | 1.0920 |
| | 02310902 | CO-ATORVASTATIN | COB | 1.0920 |
| | 02313715 | RAN-ATROVASTATIN | RBX | 1.0920 |
| | 02348632 | ATORVASTATIN | RPM | 1.0920 |
| | 02324954 | SANDOZ-ATORVASTATIN | SDZ | 1.0920 |
| | 02302683 | NOVO-ATORVASTATIN | NOP | 1.0920 |

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| ATORVASTATIN 40MG TABLETS | 02230714 02313464 02350327 02295296 02310910 02313723 02348640 02324962 02302691 | LIPITOR PMS-ATORVASTATIN RATIO-ATORVASTATIN APO-ATORVASTATIN CO-ATORVASTATIN RAN-ATORVASTATIN ATORVASTATIN SANDOZ-ATORVASTATIN NOVO-ATORVASTATIN | PFI PMS RPM APX COB RBX RPM SDZ NOP | 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 |
| ATORVASTATIN 80MG TABLETS | 02243097 02313472 02350335 02295318 02310929 02313758 02348659 02324970 02302713 | LIPITOR PMS-ATORVASTATIN RATIO-ATORVASTATIN APO-ATORVASTATIN CO-ATORVASTATIN RAN-ATORVASTATIN ATORVASTATIN SANDOZ-ATORVASTATIN NOVO-ATORVASTATIN | PFI PMS RPM APX COB RBX RPM SDZ NOP | 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 1.1739 |
| NIFEDIPINE 30MG EXTENDED RELEASE TABLETS | 02155907 02349187 | ADALAT XL MYLAN-NIFEDIPINE ER | BAY MYL | 0.9071 0.9071 |

PRODUCTS ADDED TO THE INTERCHANGEABLE / MAC LIST

The following products have been added to existing interchangeable categories.

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| ALPRAZOLAM 0.25MG TABLETS | 02349191 |
| ALPRAZOLAM 0.5MG TABLETS | 02349205 |
| AZITHROMYCIN 250MG TABLETS | 02330881 |
| AZITHROMYCIN 600MG TABLETS | 02330911 |
| TRAZADONE 50MG TABLETS | 02348772 |
| TRAZADONE 100MG TABLETS | 02348780 |
| TRAZADONE 150MG TABLETS | 02348799 |
| LETROZOLE 2.5MG TABLETS | 02347997 |
| ZYM-AMLODIPINE 5MG TABLETS | 02342790 |
| ZYM-AMLODIPINE 10MG TABLETS | 02342804 |
| ZYM-ONDANSETRON 4MG TABLETS | 02344440 |
| ZYM-ONDANSETRON 8MG TABLETS | 02344459 |

CHANGES TO MAC PRICES

Not all products that were previously listed as N/A on the MAC list will appear in this category. Due to the large amount of drugs that were listed with N/A, only the drugs where the price has decreased and any additional price changes that were not previously listed on the MAC as N/A will show in this category. All price changes will be bolded on the MAC list.

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| BENAZEPRIL 5MG TABLET | 00885835 02290332 | LOTENSIN APO-BENAZEPRIL | NVR APX | <u>0.5856</u> <u>0.5856</u> |
| BENAZEPRIL 10MG TABLET | 00885843 02290340 | LOTENSIN APO-BENAZEPRIL | NVR APX | <u>0.6925</u> <u>0.6925</u> |
| BENAZEPRIL 20MG TABLET | 00885851 02273918 | LOTENSIN APO-BENAZEPRIL | NVR APX | <u>0.7945</u> <u>0.7945</u> |

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| BETAMETHASONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE & GENTAMICIN 3MG&1MG/ML OPH/OTIC SOLUTION | 00682217 02244999 | GARASONE SANDOZ PENTASONE | SCH SDZ | <u>1.3454</u> <u>1.3454</u> |
| DIPHENHYDRAMINE 2.5MG/ML ELIXIR | 00792705 02019736 | PMS-DIPHENHYDRAMINE BENADRYL | PMS MCL | <u>0.0292</u> <u>0.0292</u> |
| FERROUS SULFATE 300MG TABLET | 00031100 00586323 01912518 | FERROUS SULFATE PMS-FERROUS SULFATE APO-FERROUS SULFATE | JPC PMS APX | <u>0.0203</u> <u>0.0203</u> <u>0.0203</u> |
| FLUOROMETHOLONE 0.1% OPH SOLUTION | 00247855 02238568 | FML LIQUIFILM PMS-FLUOROMETHOLONE | ALL PMS | <u>1.7682</u> <u>1.7682</u> |
| HYDROMORPHONE HCL 20MG/ML INJECTION | 02145936 02146118 | HYDROMORPHONE DILAUDID HP PLUS | SDZ PFR | <u>4.7355</u> <u>4.7355</u> |
| IBUPROFEN 600MG TABLETS | 00585114 00629359 00839264 02020726 | APO-IBUPROFEN NOVO-PROFEN PMS-IBUPROFEN NU-IBUPROFEN | APX NOP PMS NXP | <u>0.1379</u> <u>0.1379</u> <u>0.1379</u> <u>0.1379</u> |
| LORATADINE 10MG TABLET | 00782696 02243880 | CLARITIN APO-LORATADINE | SCH APX | <u>0.9454</u> <u>0.9454</u> |
| NARATRIPTAN 1MG TABLETS | 02237820 02314290 | AMERGE NOVO-NARATRIPTAN | GSK NOP | <u>8.1614</u> <u>8.1614</u> |
| OXCARBAZEPINE 150MG TABLET | 02242067 02284294 | TRILEPTAL APO-OXCARBAZEPINE | NVR APX | <u>0.6519</u> <u>0.6519</u> |
| OXCARBAZEPINE 300MG TABLET | 02242068 02284308 | TRILEPTAL APO-OXCARBAZEPINE | NVR APX | <u>1.3035</u> <u>1.3035</u> |
| OXCARBAZEPINE 600MG TABLET | 02242069 02284316 | TRILEPTAL APO-OXCARBAZEPINE | NVR APX | <u>2.6067</u> <u>2.6067</u> |
| RANITIDINE 15MG/ML ORAL SOLUTION | 02212374 02242940 02280833 | ZANTAC NOVO-RANIDINE APO-RANIDINE | GSK NOP APX | <u>0.1233</u> <u>0.1233</u> <u>0.1233</u> |

DELETED INTERCHANGEABLE / MAC CATEGORIES

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| CHLOROQUINE PHOSPHATE 250MG TABLET | 00021261 02017539 | NOVO-CHLOROQUINE ARALEN | NOP SAW | 0.3488 0.3488 |
| KETOTIFEN FUMARATE 0.2MG/ML SYRUP | 00600784 02176084 | ZADITEN NOVO-KETOTIFEN | NOP NOP | 0.1397 0.1397 |
| MORPHINE 20MG TABLET | 00690201 02014238 | M.O.S. MSIR | VAL PFR | 0.3786 0.3786 |
| SULFINPYRAZONE 100MG TABLET | 00441759 02045680 | APO-SULFINPYRAZONE NU-SULFINPYRAZONE | APX NXP | N/A N/A |

DISCONTINUED PRODUCTS

These products will not appear in the next publication of the Drug Programs Formulary, but will remain as benefits for twelve months from the discontinued date.

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| APO-DICLO SR 75MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02162814 |
| APO-DICLO SR 100MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02091194 |
| APO-LEVOCARB CR 200MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02245211 |
| APO-NIFED PA 10MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02197448 |
| APO-NIFED PA 20MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02181525 |
| DIARR-EZE 0.2MG/ML ORAL SOLUTION (MAR/10) | 02192667 |
| GARAMYCIN 0.3% OINTMENT (DEC/09) | 00028339 |
| GEN-MEDROXY 5MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02229839 |
| GEN-NIZATIDINE 150MG CAPSULES (MAY/10) | 02246046 |
| GEN-PIROXICAM 20MG CAPSULES (MAY/10) | 02171821 |
| M.O.S. 10MG TABLETS (FEB/09) | 00690198 |
| NOVO-HYLAZIN 50MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 00759481 |
| NOVO-OFLOXACIN 300MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02243475 |
| NOVO-TRIPTYN 10MG TABLETS (DEC/09) | 00037400 |
| PMS-CLINDAMYCIN 150MG CAPSULES (MAY/10) | 02294826 |
| PMS-CLINDAMYCIN 300MG CAPSULES (MAY/10) | 02294834 |
| PMS-GENTAMYCIN 0.3% SOLUTION (MAY/10) | 02330889 |
| PMS-GLYBURIDE 2.5MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02236733 |
| PMS-IBUPROFEN 600MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 00839264 |
| PMS-MEDROXYPROGESTERONE 2.5MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02246627 |
| PMS-MEDROXYPROGESTERONE 5MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02246628 |
| PMS-MEDROXYPROGESTERONE 10MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02246629 |
| PMS-PAMIDRONATE 30MG INJECTION (MAY/10) | 02245998 |
| PMS-PROPRANOLOL 10MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 00582255 |
| PMS-PROPRANOLOL 40MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 00582263 |
| PMS-TEMAZEPAM 15MG CAPSULES (MAY/10) | 02273039 |
| PMS-TIAPROFENIC 300MG TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02230828 |
| PMS-TRYPTOPHAN 1G TABLETS (MAY/10) | 02230202 |
| STATEX 10MG SOLUTION (MAY/10) | 00647217 |

The following products have been removed from the Maximum Allowable Cost List and will not appear in the next publication of the Drug Programs Formulary.

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| ZADITEN 0.2MG/ML SYRUP | 00600784 |
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| NOVO-CIMETINE 200MG TABLETS | 00582409 |
| NOVO-CIMETINE 300MG TABLETS | 00582417 |
| NOVO-CIMETINE 400MG TABLETS | 00603678 |
| NOVO-CIMETINE 600MG TABLETS | 00603686 |
| NOVO-DIFENAC 25MG TABLETS | 00808539 |
| NOVO-FLUCONAZOLE 150MG CAPSULE | 02243645 |

CHANGE IN MANUFACTURER

The manufacturer of the following product has changed.

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| RETROVIR 100MG CAPSULES | 01902660 | NVT |
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IMPORTANT NOTICES

Information and criteria regarding the additions of drugs to the PEI Drug Programs effective July 1, 2010 will be sent out to all pharmacies in early June.

During the summer months, the MAC list will be sent out on the 1st Tuesday of each month with changes in interchangeability coming into effect on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.