

# **SCHEDULE “C”**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES AND CLARIFICATIONS**

### **Relationship between the Pharmacy Agreement and the Pharmacy Claims Submission Manual**

- i. The purpose of the Pharmacy Agreement (the “Agreement”) to which this Schedule is attached is to set out the terms and conditions under which the PHARMACY OWNER may submit claims and receive payment for the provision of Pharmacy Services.
- ii. The Pharmacy Claims Submission Manual sets out to provisions that are in addition to the terms and conditions in the Agreement. These two documents work together to assist owners of pharmacies in obtaining the necessary information to submit claims and receive payment from Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living (MHSAL) for the provision of Pharmacy Services.
- iii. The PHARMACY OWNER is bound by and accountable for complying with the terms and conditions in the Agreement and the provisions of the Pharmacy Claims Submission Manual.

### **Changes to the Pharmacy Claims Submission Manual**

- i. MHSAL will notify the PHARMACY OWNER in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the date that any changes to the Manual come into effect.

### **Audit of Pharmacy Claims**

- i. In the majority of cases, a formal audit conducted by MHALS will focus on the two (2) years prior to the audit date and all Claims submitted during that time under the Agreement or any previous agreement. In exceptional cases, including cases where more serious problems have been detected by MHALS’s auditors or inspectors, cases concerning systemic claim filing errors or complaints from Beneficiaries, the scope of the audit can be extended to include additional years of Claims submission. This process is described in greater detail in the Pharmacy Claims Submission Manual.

### **Claim Payment Cycle**

- i. Subject to subsection 9(3) of the Prescription Drugs Payment of Benefits Regulation, MHALS will endeavor to adjudicate Claims for Beneficiaries on a weekly basis and then remit payment to the PHARMACY OWNER by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

Subsection 9(3) reads as follows:

“9(3) If a pharmacist has provided a specified drug to an eligible person under this section, the minister shall, as soon as practicable after the drug is provided, pay the pharmacist an amount equal to the benefit to which the eligible person is entitled under this regulation, in which case the payment is deemed to be full payment of the benefit to the eligible person.”

## **PDCAA and Regulations**

- i. An on-line version of the PDCAA is available at

[http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/index\\_ccsm.php](http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/index_ccsm.php)

- ii. An on-line version of the Prescription Drugs Payment of Benefits Regulation is available at

<http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/pdf/p115-060.96.pdf>