

## **Professional Notice**

To:	Pharmacy Practitioners	

From: Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists

Date: October 19, 2023

Re: Amendment to Prescribing Standards – RSV Vaccine

The <u>Standards of Practice: Prescribing Drugs - Appendix E: Prescribing Preventative Medicines</u> has been amended to include **respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)** as a condition for which pharmacists may prescribe vaccines.

As with all vaccines, and particularly with new ones, the determination of whether it is appropriate for an individual should be a shared decision between the prescriber and the patient, ensuring that the patient has enough information to provide informed consent.

For those needing further education, Dalhousie Continuing Pharmacy Education is hosting a live webinar on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm (ADT) on <u>What's New: A review of vaccines for RSV, COVID, and the Flu</u>, presented by Dr. Tasha Ramsay. The webinar is accredited for 1.0 CEU.