

Professional Notice

To: Pharmacy Practitioners

From: The Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists

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Re: Mandatory Reporting of Vaccine Administration by Pharmacists into the NS DIS Immunization Module

As of July 1, 2019, all pharmacies in Nova Scotia are to be submitting records of vaccines **administered by pharmacists**, including influenza, to the NS DIS Immunization Module (see NSCP <u>email</u> April 2019), making Nova Scotia pharmacy practitioners the first in the country to support a provincial, centralized record of immunization.

Pharmacy managers are required to confirm by **JULY 31**, **2019** that their pharmacy is meeting this requirement. It is important that pharmacy managers take the necessary steps to ensure that pharmacy staff are familiar with the process to be followed in their pharmacy software prior to making this declaration.

NOTE: At present, with the exception of the influenza vaccine, this functionality does NOT serve the requirement of notifying the patient's primary care provider as set out in the <u>Standards of Practice: Drug Administration</u>.

Any questions regarding the process to be followed should be directed to the pharmacy's software support provider.