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STI MEDICATIONS WILL NOW BE AVAILABLE IN eCHART MANITOBA

Manitoba Public Health and Shared Health (Digital Health) are launching a new initiative to improve health care provider access to treatment information for patients diagnosed with, or suspected to have, sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

Effective **March 2, 2023**, STI treatments reported by health care providers or administered by Public Health will be transferred into patient medication records in eChart.

As per *The Public Health Act*, health care providers who diagnose reportable STBBIs are required to report patient, treatment and contact details to Public Health, including STI treatment provided based on clinical suspicion, using form *MHSU-6781 — Provider Report Form for Sexually Transmitted and Blood-Borne Infections (STBBI) and/or STI Treatment*. Treatment details from the form is uploaded into the Public Health Information Management System (PHIMS) and will now be transferred into eChart to facilitate coordination of care between providers. In the eChart medications domain, PHIMS will be listed as the "Source" instead of the Drug Program Information Network (DPIN). For more details, visit the eChart FAQ site at:

https://echartmanitoba.ca/hcp/training/frequently-asked-questions/

If health care providers do not report STI treatments, the information will not be entered into PHIMS, and therefore not flow into eChart. Form MHSU-6781 (and guidance for completion) is available at:

www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_6781.pdf www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/surveillance/docs/mhsu_6781_ug.pdf

Forms are to be completed and submitted by secured fax to 204-948-3044 or by courier to the Manitoba Health Surveillance Unit (MHSU) within **five business days** of the interview with the case or treatment being provided.

Health care providers may bill for the following tariffs for completion of this form:

- **8010 –** Completion of pages 1 and 2 **\$20**
- **8011** Completion of contact information (page 3) only payable with a corresponding claim for 8010 for the same patient, and only payable once per patient even if additional contacts are subsequently added **\$30**

Public Health recently collaborated with Doctors Manitoba and The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba to deliver two webinars: "STBBIs in Manitoba" and "Addressing the Syphilis Surge in Manitoba". These webinars offer guidance on current STBBI trends, public health

strategies, and how health care providers can provide care for individuals with STBBIs. Links to these webinars and future topics are available at:

www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/sti/index.html

Thank you for your efforts to help control the STBBI outbreak in Manitoba.

Sincerely,

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