

## MEMORANDUM

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**DATE:** July 13, 2023

**TO:** All Island Health Physician Members of the Medical Staff

**FROM:** Dr. Mary Lyn Fyfe, Executive Medical Director and Sean Hardiman Executive Director,  
Medication Systems and Medical Informatics

**RE:** **PRIME Enrolment for Physicians – Enrolment Completion due for August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

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### WHAT IS HAPPENING

As a follow up to the [March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 PRIME memorandum](#), Island Health would like to remind all Physicians that they must enroll in PRIME before August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to ensure uninterrupted access to PharmaNet. This applies to all current and new users of PharmaNet going forward.

The Ministry of Health (MOH) has undertaken development of a new system for PharmaNet access. The new system, known as [PRIME](#), ensures access is only given to those who need access to PharmaNet. PRIME improves the privacy and security of both patient and practitioner information in PharmaNet.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC (CPSBC) enrolment window is from **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023** to **August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. (Of note, individuals accessing PharmaNet on a College registrant's behalf, must also enrol during this time window. This includes registration clerks, unit clerks, and Medical Office Assistants.)

- **If you have not already enrolled in PRIME, please follow the steps in the [PRIME website](#) and share your GPID with [PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca](mailto:PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca)**
- Site registration is not required for physicians who practice only at Island Health. If you also work in private practice, then site registration is required.
- **If you have already enrolled and have not yet shared your GPID with Island Health, please login to your PRIME profile and choose “Share GPID/Approval” to share your GPID with [PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca](mailto:PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca)**

### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

- You will be prompted during enrolment to provide the Island Health PharmaNet Administrator email. Please use [PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca](mailto:PharmaNetEnrollment@islandhealth.ca) to complete this field.
- Island Health must receive your GPID so you can have access to PharmaNet through Cerner.
- If you access PharmaNet through Medinet, you must also include [support@medinet.ca](mailto:support@medinet.ca) in the PharmaNet Administrator email field. Use a comma to separate the two email addresses.
- The Ministry of Health is hosting PRIME webinars in the coming months. While optional, we encourage you to attend a session to learn more about the PRIME enrolment process.
  - Please visit the [Island Health Medical Staff](#) page for more information, or watch your email for webinar invites from [communications@CPSBC.CA](mailto:communications@CPSBC.CA)
- Review the Ministry of Health PRIME web pages:
  - [PRIME web page](#) (includes sample video enrolments)
  - [PRIME Enrolment Quick Reference Guide](#)
  - [Site Registration for PRIME](#)