

Quebec Bill 92 coming into effect in September - Update

Good news for Quebec residents! As communicated in [Focus Update](#), the province of Quebec has adopted Bill 92, which will go into effect on September 15, 2017.

This means greater transparency for you and your employees based in Quebec – who will now be able to see the breakdown of their drug receipts issued by pharmacists. This added information will help members shop around for the best price, and make more informed decisions when choosing a pharmacy to fill their prescription drugs.

Greater price transparency for Quebec consumers

Effective September 15, 2017, each receipt for RAMQ drugs will itemize the following:

- DIN cost
- Wholesaler's mark-up
- Professional fees (which include the dispensing fee and the pharmacy's mark-up)

What does this mean for Sun Life?

At this time, there won't be any changes to our Pharmaceutical benefits suite of products and the rule around dispensing fee limits and caps will remain the same: they continue not be recommended for Quebec resident plans. Clients that currently have a dispensing fee cap or limit in Quebec will not be impacted as we will continue to derive the dispensing fee to apply the cap or limit.

The reasonable and customary charges applied to drug costs in Quebec that were put in place in June 2016 will also continue to apply.

We are currently finalizing system adjustments and will be ready for the September 15, 2017 implementation day.

What does this mean for members?

With the requirement to have prices broken down, members will now be able to see a particular pharmacist's professional fees. As stated above, they will be able to compare the professional fees from one pharmacist to another and choose the pharmacy that best meets their needs.

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In terms of claims submission, this change will have no impact; members will simply continue to submit the total amount for web, mobile and paper claims.

Plan member communication

We have prepared a [member communication](#) regarding Bill 92 and what it means for plan members: greater transparency.

Questions?

Contact your Sun Life Financial group benefits representative.

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