SPECIAL BULLETIN

The Public Service Health Care Plan

NEW – Expansion of coverage for contraceptives under the Public Service Health Care Plan

We are pleased to announce that as of April 1, 2018, the Public Service Health Care Plan (PSHCP) is expanding the types of contraceptives that will be covered under the Plan!

In addition to oral contraceptives, you and your eligible dependants will also be covered for nonoral contraceptives, such as patches, vaginal rings, contraceptive implants (intrauterine and arm) and intrauterine devices (IUDs) including copper IUDs.

Non-oral contraceptives will be reimbursed at 80% of the reasonable and customary amount, provided they are:

- prescribed by a physician or other qualified health professional, if the applicable provincial/territorial legislation permits them to prescribe the products
- dispensed by a pharmacist or a physician
- approved by Health Canada
- purchased on or after April 1, 2018

Please note that contraceptives that are barrier methods, such as male or female condoms, diaphragms and cervical caps, as well as spermicide products such as foams and jellies, are not considered eligible for reimbursement under the PSHCP.



If you are unsure if your preferred contraceptive option is eligible under the expanded coverage, please contact the Sun Life PSHCP Call Centre at 1-888-757-7427 (toll-free in North America) or 613-247-5100 in the National Capital Region, available Monday to Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (ET).

