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CANADIAN PHARMACY LAW

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The Canadian Pharmacy Law is a comprehensive and efficient working tool to help keep up with the changes in the law and the body of case law that follows. It explains the underlying principles and doctrines of law within the legal system as they apply to the practice of pharmacy and includes all of the latest case law, full legislation, jurisdictional comparison charts of practice in pharmacy, and much more.

What's New in this Update:

This release features updates to Chapter 3 (Intellectual Property Patents), Chapter 4 (Administrative Law and Pharmacy Organization), Chapter 7 (Practice Issues), Chapter 8 (Comparison of the Practice of Pharmacy in the Various Canadian Jurisdictions) and Chapter 9 (Selected Court Cases). As well there are updates to legislation and case annotations in the provinces of British Columbia and Quebec.

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Highlights

- **Author's Comments** — Many of the expansions to the practice of pharmacy, for example the authority to prescribe antiviral medications for COVID-19, that occurred during the pandemic have been formalized and remain in place. Pharmacists are the health care professionals that the general public come into contact most often and are the most accessible health care professionals, thus these ongoing expansions make sense.
- **Case Law** — The practice of pharmacy requires an extensive knowledge of pharmaceuticals and their use, and three cases show just how extensive the knowledge needs to be. In *Pharmacists (Professional Order of) c. Gervais*, 2022 QCCDPHA 44 (CanLII), the importance of the potency of hydromorphone and morphine was paramount. In *Pharmacists (Professional Order of) c. Roy*, 2023 QCCDPHA 1 (CanLII), the fact that the dispensed Letrozole™ stopped hormone production for a patient who was trying to get pregnant was the centre of the matter. And, in *Pharmacists (Professional Order of) c. Vien Linh Ngo*, 2022 QCCDPHA 43 (CanLII), the drug interaction between a sulfa antibiotic and the anticoagulant warfarin meant an increased risk for bleeding. The practice of pharmacy today is certainly a knowledge based profession.

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