

- Processes for consulting with and/or referring to other health professionals (e.g. prescribers, pharmacists) about the prescribing decision as needed to meet the client's needs.
- Processes for ensuring continuity of care for the client, including:
 - responding to questions from the client (or their substitute decision-maker) or health care team members about the prescription or the need to make changes to the prescription,
 - consultation and referral pathways such as for diagnostic testing results and
 - management and evaluation of client outcomes including monitoring, managing intended and unintended outcomes, and follow-up with respect to the prescribed medication.

For registered nurses who prescribe Schedule I medications, their additional education must include:

- Basic prescribing competencies;
- The condition(s)³⁰ for which the medication is being prescribed; and
- The medication to be prescribed.

Registered nurses who prescribe Schedule II medications must have access to PharmaNet.

In addition, registered nurses who prescribe any Schedule I or II medication must comply with all other applicable limits and conditions listed above that apply to the administration of that medication by a registered nurse without an order.

Prescribing for opioid use disorder: limits and conditions

These limits and conditions for prescribing for opioid use disorder apply when registered nurses, within their autonomous scope of practice:

- Prescribe a medication for a client for the treatment of opioid use disorder,
- Dispense a medication for a client for the treatment of opioid use disorder,
- Dispense a medication to a client for the treatment of opioid use disorder.
- Administer a medication to a client for the treatment of opioid use disorder,

³⁰ Or, in the case of a certified practice registered nurse, the disease, disorder or condition for which the medication is being prescribed.

