



Manitoba Home Cancer Drug Program

Patient Information

The Home Cancer Drug (HCD) Program is a program for Manitobans diagnosed with cancer that allows access to eligible outpatient oral cancer and specific supportive drugs at no cost to the patient. Covering the cost of eligible drugs removes what can sometimes be a major financial burden.

Who is eligible?

1. Patients must be identified by CancerCare Manitoba (CCMB)* as receiving or being scheduled to receive eligible outpatient oral cancer and specific supportive drugs, and
2. Patients must be registered with Manitoba Health's Pharmacare Program. This includes meeting the following criteria:
 - being eligible for Manitoba Health coverage, and
 - prescriptions for eligible outpatient oral cancer and specific supportive drugs not being covered by other provincial or federal programs.

What does the HCD Program cover?

The HCD Program covers eligible outpatient oral cancer and specific supportive drugs that support outpatient cancer treatment as listed in the HCD Program Formulary at no cost to patients who are registered in the Program. The Program came into effect April 19, 2012 and covers prescriptions for eligible drugs that are filled on or after that date.

Please note that the HCD Program covers only eligible medications that are used to treat cancer and/or support the treatment of cancer. If you have questions about whether the medication that has been prescribed for you is eligible for coverage through the HCD Program, please ask your CCMB care provider or pharmacist.

* Patients managed by CancerCare Manitoba (CCMB), Community Cancer Program Network, or community oncologists affiliated with CCMB are eligible. Enrolment is managed through CCMB.

How do I know if I am enrolled in the HCD Program?

For patients enrolled on or after April 19, 2012, you will be notified in writing when the approval process has been completed and you have been registered in the HCD Program. Coverage is effective from the date that your registration has been approved.

How do I enrol in the HCD Program?

To enrol in the HCD Program:

- You must have an HCD Program Application Form completed through CCMB and
- You must be registered with the Manitoba Pharmacare Program. If you are not already registered with the Manitoba Pharmacare Program, please complete a Pharmacare Application and Consent Authorization Form (available from Manitoba Health or CCMB) and return it to CCMB to facilitate your enrolment in the HCD Program.

Where do I fill my eligible prescriptions?

Once you have been registered with the HCD Program, your prescriptions for eligible outpatient oral cancer and specific supportive drugs can be filled at the Manitoba pharmacy of your choice at no cost.

Who do I contact for more information about the HCD Program?

- For general information about the HCD Program or to be enrolled in the HCD Program, please call:

CancerCare Manitoba Pharmacy at (204) 787-4591 (Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

- To find out if you are currently enrolled in the HCD Program and/or the Manitoba Pharmacare Program, please call:

Provincial Drug Programs at (204) 786-7141 or toll free at 1-800-297-8099 (Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)