

NSPMP STRATEGIC PLAN 2017 TO 2020



MISSION

To promote the appropriate use and to reduce the inappropriate use of monitored drugs.

CORE PROGRAMS

In pursuit of its mission, the NSPMP is committed to excellence in its core functions of:

1

DATA COLLECTION

Through collaboration with the Drug Information System, the NSPMP will maintain a robust data, accurately recording the prescribing and dispensing of monitored drugs in Nova Scotia.

2

CASE IDENTIFICATION

Through surveillance of its database, the NSPMP will identify and respond to patients, prescribers, and pharmacies at risk. The NSPMP will continue to enhance its High Prescriber Initiative.

3

INFORMATION SHARING

Where permissible and appropriate, the NSPMP will share information and data.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1

EFFECTIVE MONITORING OF BENZODIAZEPINES

The NSPMP will expand to monitor the prescribing of benzodiazepines.

The NSPMP will develop and implement approaches to identify cases of inappropriate prescribing of benzodiazepines, either alone or in combination with other monitored drugs.

2

IMPROVING THE FIRST PRESCRIPTION

The NSPMP will develop interventions focused on the initiation of opioid therapy.

3

GOVERNANCE

Working with the Board, Medavie, and the Department of Health and Wellness, the NSPMP will develop an approach to plan and resource its work going forward.
