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TO: PHARMACY MANAGERS AND PHARMACISTS

RE: Request from Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) Public Health Division to Community Pharmacies to Replenish Inventory Levels of Oseltamivir (Tamiflu®)

Please be advised that Canada, including Manitoba, continues to receive reports of influenza like illness (ILI) despite the lateness of the season. Patients may still present to local community pharmacies with prescriptions for antivirals. It has become evident however, that many community pharmacies are not stocking antivirals this late in the season.

The MPhA has been informed that wholesalers have recently restocked their Tamiflu® inventories which can be ordered by pharmacies. MHHL Public Health Division is requesting that community pharmacies consider re-ordering Tamiflu® supplies in order to maintain adequate inventory levels for dispensing of any prescriptions for patients in the community.

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,
Susan Lessard-Friesen
Assistant Registrar