

Professional Notice

To: Pharmacy Practitioners
From: Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists
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Re: Lyme Disease

With most Nova Scotians now living in an area considered at higher risk for contracting Lyme disease, the Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists (NSCP) is in ongoing communication with the Department of Health and Wellness (DHW) regarding how pharmacists could play a larger role in the prevention of Lyme disease.

Currently, pharmacists can continue to play a critical role by answering questions from individuals seeking information about prevention and treatment.

Information regarding Lyme disease in Nova Scotia can be found on the [DHW website](#). The website includes both a brochure and a tick check poster that can be shared with the public, as well as information about how individuals can protect themselves, what to do if an individual suspects they have Lyme disease, up-to-date surveillance information, and more.

Further resources to assist you in having discussions about Lyme disease with patients include:

- [Position Statement on the Diagnosis and Treatment of People Who Have Chronic Symptoms Attributed to Lyme Disease \(AMMI\)](#)
- [The Facts About Lyme Disease: What You Need to Know \(AMMI\)](#)
- [Guidance for Primary Care and Emergency Medicine Providers in the Management of Lyme Disease in Nova Scotia](#)
- [Addressing Lyme Disease Misinformation](#)

We know that many of you are keen to do more. The College is interested to hear from pharmacy practitioners who would like to play a role in future discussions.