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**YOUR  
PHARMACIST:  
NOW MORE  
HELPFUL  
THAN  
EVER!**

**ADMINISTER  
A DRUG IN ORDER TO  
DEMONSTRATE  
ITS CORRECT USE**

YOUR PHARMACIST IS NOW AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES. THE ORDRE DES PHARMACIENS DU QUÉBEC HAS PRODUCED **7 INFORMATION SHEETS** DESCRIBING EACH OF THESE NEW SERVICES.



Pharmacists are now authorized to administer drugs—by inhalation, orally, topically, subcutaneously, intradermally, or intramuscularly—to illustrate how to use them properly.

### **Can all pharmacists administer drugs?**

Pharmacists who wish to provide this service must first complete a theoretical and practical training session. Pharmacists are free to decide whether or not to complete that training.

### **For what reason would my pharmacist administer a drug to me?**

Your pharmacist could do this to demonstrate to you or someone who is helping you how to correctly administer a drug once you are back at home. He can teach you by actually going through all the steps with you or your helper, using your drug and administration device. He can also answer any questions you may have.

**How will my pharmacist do this?**

Here's an example. You've just found out that you are diabetic and must take insulin to treat your condition. But, you are uneasy at the idea of giving yourself an injection. Your pharmacist could show you how it is done. In addition to explaining how the drug is administered, he could, for educational purposes, actually give you an insulin injection.

Before doing this, your pharmacist would of course make sure that it is the right time to take the drug (based on the drug schedule). He would also record the administration in your file.

**Can my pharmacist vaccinate me?**

No. Your pharmacist can only administer medication for the purpose of teaching you how to do it yourself. This means that your pharmacist may not administer a vaccine like a flu shot for example.



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