## Launch of the New Prescription Monitoring Program

New Brunswick has launched MaveRx (pronounced "Mavericks"), a new and improved Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP).

MaveRx, is a modern, easy to use, cloud-based portal that allows authorized health care providers to view prescription data collected from community pharmacies in the province. As the first PMP technology solution in Canada to include prescription information on all drugs, it is a comprehensive medication history and assessment tool.

While the PMP centres around the monitored drugs (drugs prone to misuse, such as opioids, stimulants, and sedatives), to reduce risk of harm to patients and to aid health care providers in their prescribing and dispensing decisions, the new all-in-one system has the following features:

- includes risk indicators, visual analytical tools, and prescriber-set notifications to help clinicians assess potential harm to a patient due to high dosing, dangerous drug combinations, and risky patient behaviours such as visiting multiple pharmacies or receiving prescriptions from multiple prescribers.
- helps clinicians **monitor a patient's progress** on medication treatments for addictions, mental health conditions, and pain management.
- **instantly notifies users of potential forgeries** to help reduce fraudulent activity and prevent these drugs from reaching the black market.
- helps clinicians draw insights about their prescribing practices with their own individualized prescriber reports that allow them to assess how they are prescribing compared to their peers and how their prescribing may affect their patients based on multiple risk metrics.
- supports a busy clinician's workflow by **allowing a clinician's team to act as delegates** to access the system and search for patients on their behalf.

Registration is now open to all clinicians and their delegates in New Brunswick. More information is available on the PMP training website <u>https://maverxtraining.rxgov.com/</u>, by emailing <u>pmp.psp@gnb.ca</u>, or by calling 1-506-444-4932 from Monday to Friday between 8:30 am - 4:00 pm.