

MEMO

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To: All Public Health Managers and Directors, All PHIMS Communicable Disease Investigation (CDI) Users

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RE: **STBBI Medications – Entry of Provider Forms into PHIMS**

A new paper-based Manitoba Health Provider Report Form for Sexually Transmitted and Blood-Borne Infections (STBBI) and STI treatment was implemented in early December 2022 to support information sharing between health-care providers and Public Health.

On January 12, 2023, the configuration to support this work was deployed to PHIMS. Starting Monday, January 16, 2023, the Provider Report Forms will be uploaded into PHIMS in their own separate disease investigation under the STBBI Encounter Group, and any STBBI medications listed on the Provider Report Forms will be entered into PHIMS.

There is also an initiative underway to improve treatment information sharing for health care providers by transferring treatment records in PHIMS to eChart. Further information will be provided at a later date prior to implementation.

The new disease investigation created specifically for the entry of these forms is called 'Provider Form'. An Investigation Quick Entry (IQE) page will also be available to document and view these investigations. Investigation and treatment information will be entered by the MB Health Surveillance Unit and assigned to the regions for review and possible follow-up (i.e. information relevant for case and contact management). The form will be uploaded in the investigation via document management. Changes to PHIMS Standard Treatments and to Course Completed have also been implemented to support alignment with the Provider Forms and future interface with eChart.

Workflow and practice tools have been developed. PHIMS QRCs to support this work are posted on the PHIMS website: <https://phimsmb.ca/support-tools/public-health/investigations>

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