**2.** Section 5 is deleted.

**3.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Gouvernement du Québec

## **O.C. 274-99**, 24 March 1999

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-29.01)

## Basic prescription drug insurance plan — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan

WHEREAS under subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 78 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-29.01), the Government may, after consulting the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec, make regulations to determine the cases, conditions and therapeutic indications in and for which the cost of certain medications included in the list drawn up by the Minister under section 60 of the Act is covered by the basic plan; the conditions may vary according to whether the coverage is provided by the Board or under a group insurance contract or an employee benefit plan;

WHEREAS under section 79 of the Act, such a regulation is not subject to the requirements concerning publication and date of coming into force contained in sections 8 and 17 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1);

WHEREAS by Order in Council 1519-96 dated 4 December 1996, the Government made the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 78 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance, the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec has been consulted on the amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL NOËL DE TILLY, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

## Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan\*

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance (R.S.Q., c. A-29.01, s. 78, 1st par., subpar. 3)

**1.** The Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan is amended in the second paragraph of section 2.1:

(1) by inserting the following after subparagraph 18:

(18.01) CLOPIDOGREL: for prevention of ischemic vascular manifestations in persons for whom a platelet inhibitor is indicated but for whom acetylsalicylic acid or ticlopidine is ineffective, contraindicated or poorly tolerated;";

(2) by substituting the following for subparagraph 28:

"(28) ESTRADIOL-17B: in persons unable to take estrogens orally because of intolerance or where medical factors favour the transdermal route;";

(3) by substituting the following for subparagraph 29:

"(29) ESTRADIOL-17ß/NORETHINDRONE AC-ETATE: in persons unable to take estrogens or progestogens orally because of intolerance or where medical factors favour the transdermal route;";

(4) by striking out subparagraphs 47 and 49;

(5) by inserting the words "ineffective or" after the word "are" in paragraph *b* of subparagraph 57;

(6) by substituting the words "severe xerostomia" for the words "xerostomia occurring during radiotherapy" in subparagraph 74;

(7) by inserting the following after subparagraph 85:

"(85.1) TOLTERODINE: for treatment of vesical hyperactivity in persons for whom oxybutynin is poorly tolerated, contraindicated or ineffective;".

**2.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 1999.

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<sup>\*</sup> The Regulation respecting the basic prescription drug insurance plan, made by Order in Council 1519-96 dated 4 December 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 4941) was last amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 1189-98 dated 16 September 1998 (1998, *G.O.* 2, 3949) and 9-99 dated 13 January 1999 (1999, *G.O.* 2, 84). For previous amendments, see the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1998, updated to 1 September 1998.