

WHEREAS, under section 17 of that Act, a regulation comes into force 15 days after the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date indicated in the regulation or in the Act under which it is made;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Families:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Reduced Contribution Regulation, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

ANDRÉ FORTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Reduced Contribution Regulation

Educational Childcare Act
(chapter S-4.1.1, s. 106)

1. The Reduced Contribution Regulation (chapter S-4.1.1, r. 1) is amended in section 11 by replacing “Social Assistance Program or the Social Solidarity Program under the Individual and Family Assistance Act (chapter A-13.1.1)” by “Aim for Employment Program, the Social Assistance Program or the Social Solidarity Program under the Individual and Family Assistance Act (chapter A-13.1.1) and the Income Security Program for Cree Hunters and Trappers referred to in Section 30 of the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement, appearing in Schedule 1 to Complementary Agreement No. 15 entered into by the Gouvernement du Québec and the Cree Regional Authority, approved by Order in Council 605-2002 dated 24 May 2002 and published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 6 November 2002”.

2. Section 12 is replaced by the following:

“**12.** The childcare provider must provide a child whose parent is exempted from the basic contribution with the goods and services provided for in section 6 according to the terms and conditions provided for in this Regulation.”.

3. Section 13 is revoked.

4. Section 14 is amended by replacing the fourth paragraph by the following:

“A parent applying to be exempted from the basic contribution must also submit proof of receipt of benefits under the Aim for Employment Program, the Social Assistance Program or the Social Solidarity Program under the Individual and Family Assistance Act or the Income Security Program for Cree Hunters and Trappers, and a written authorization allowing the Minister to verify the information with the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity or the Cree Hunters and Trappers Income Security Board.”.

5. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except sections 2 and 3, which come into force on 1 August 2018.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 845-2018, 20 June 2018

Optometry Act
(chapter O-7)

Optometrist — Medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist

Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 19.4 of the Optometry Act (chapter O-7), the Office des professions du Québec prepares periodically, by regulation, after consultation with the Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux, the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, the Ordre des médecins du Québec and the Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec, a list of the medications that may be administered by an optometrist in accordance with section 19.1 of the Act, and determines, if expedient, the terms and conditions according to which such medications may be administered by an optometrist;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 19.4 of the Act, the Office des professions du Québec also determines periodically, by regulation, after consultation with the Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux, the Ordre des optométristes du Québec,

the Ordre des médecins du Québec and the Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec, the medications that may be administered and prescribed for therapeutic purposes by an optometrist and the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist in accordance with section 19.1.1 of the Act, and determines, if expedient, the cases in which and the terms and conditions according to which such medications may be administered or prescribed or such care may be provided by an optometrist;

WHEREAS the Office held the required consultations on 9 May 2017;

WHEREAS the Office adopted the Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist on 24 October 2017;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 22 November 2017 with a notice that it could be submitted to the Government for approval on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS, under section 13 of the Professional Code (chapter C-26), every regulation adopted by the Office under the Code or an Act constituting a professional order must be submitted to the Government, which may approve it with or without amendment;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice:

THAT the Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist, attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

ANDRÉ FORTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist

Optometry Act
(chapter O-7, s. 19.4)

DIVISION I

MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE ADMINISTERED BY AN OPTOMETRIST

1. An optometrist who holds a permit referred to in the first paragraph of section 19.2 of the Optometry Act (chapter O-7) may administer the medications and substances listed in Schedule I for the sole purpose of eye examinations.

DIVISION II

MEDICATIONS THAT MAY BE ADMINISTERED AND PRESCRIBED FOR THERAPEUTIC PURPOSES BY AN OPTOMETRIST AND THE EYE CARE THAT MAY BE PROVIDED BY AN OPTOMETRIST

2. This Division applies only to optometrists who hold a permit referred to in the second paragraph of section 19.2 of the Optometry Act (chapter O-7).

3. An optometrist may administer and prescribe the medications and substances listed in Schedule I for treating a condition of mild morbidity of the eye and adnexa, or any other condition provided for in this Regulation.

4. For the treatment of a condition of mild morbidity of the eye and adnexa or the prevention of such a condition, an optometrist may provide the following eye care:

(1) non surgical care related to the anterior segment of the eye and adnexa;

(2) removal of a superficial foreign body from the eye and complementary care required following the removal;

(3) punctal occlusion;

(4) heat, mechanical or manual treatment of meibomian glands and eyelashes;

(5) application of therapeutic contact lenses.

5. Subject to section 6, an optometrist may administer and prescribe an anti-glaucoma medication for the treatment of a glaucoma condition where the following requirements are met:

- (1) the condition may be described as follows:
 - (a) glaucoma suspect;
 - (b) early glaucoma;
 - (c) steroid-induced glaucoma;
- (2) the optometrist has access to the appropriate instruments for the assessment of the condition.

An optometrist who administers or prescribes an anti-glaucoma medication in accordance with the first paragraph must, thereafter, refer the patient to an ophthalmologist physician for medical follow-up.

6. Where a patient's follow-up is ensured by an ophthalmologist physician, the administration or prescription of an anti-glaucoma medication by the optometrist must conform to the treatment established by that physician or comply with the joint follow-up plan agreed to with the physician and entered in the patient's record.

7. Despite section 5, an optometrist may administer and prescribe an anti-glaucoma medication for the treatment of any glaucoma condition if the optometrist has obtained, before each administration or prescription, the consent of a physician who has already assessed the patient or agrees to provide consultative care to the patient. The optometrist must then enter in the patient's record the name and licence number of the physician from whom the optometrist obtained the consent.

8. Where an optometrist administers or prescribes a medication or provides eye care, the optometrist must refer the patient to a physician if the patient's condition does not adequately respond to treatment in the accepted or anticipated amount of time and each time the patient's interest requires it. An optometrist must also refer the patient to a physician if the signs and symptoms suggest a condition other than the condition referred to in section 3 or that requires a physician to take charge of the patient, in particular where there is the presence of

- (1) an infectious ulcer reaching the central cornea;
- (2) epithelial dendrites with stromal injury;
- (3) sectorial inflammation of the episclera with ischemia or melting;

- (4) sectorial inflammation of the anterior chamber with hypopyons, vitritis or atypical lesions of the cornea;

- (5) glaucoma other than those for which the optometrist is authorized to intervene pursuant to section 5.

DIVISION III FINAL

9. This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the medications that an optometrist may administer (chapter O-7, r. 10) and the Regulation respecting the medications that may be administered and prescribed for therapeutic purposes by an optometrist and respecting the eye care that may be provided by an optometrist (chapter O-7, r. 11).

10. This Regulation comes into force on 19 July 2018.

SCHEDULE I (ss. 1 and 3)

1. All topical ophthalmic medications, except cocaine and extemporaneous preparations of antibiotics, subject to the following restrictions:

- (1) immunosuppressants, only for dry eye treatment;
- (2) except for the purposes referred to in sections 5 to 7 of the Regulation, the following anti-glaucoma medication used only for the following purposes:
 - (a) miotics, for eye examination;
 - (b) prostaglandin analogues, for the treatment of hypotrichosis.

2. The following oral medications:

- (1) antibiotics, excluding extemporaneous preparations, only for the treatment of cases where eyelids are affected, according to the protocol established by the Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux;

- (2) antivirals, only for the treatment of eye herpes, according to the protocol established by the Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux and for a maximum continuous period of 1 year.

3. Any other medication, vitamin or natural health, topical and oral product, that is not referred to in Schedule I to the Regulation respecting the terms and conditions for the sale of medications (chapter P-10, r. 12).

4. Any combination of medications, vitamins and natural health products in this Schedule is permitted subject to the restrictions provided for in the Schedule that apply to them.

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Gouvernement du Québec

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Optometry Act
(chapter O-7)

Optometrist — Standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care

Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 19.2 of the Optometry Act (chapter O-7), the board of directors of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec must, by regulation, fix the standards for the issue and holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medication to his or her patients in accordance with section 19.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 19.2 of the Act, the board of directors of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec must also, by regulation, fix the standards for the issue and holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medication to a patient for therapeutic purposes and to provide eye care to the patient in accordance with section 19.1.1 of the Act;

WHEREAS the board of directors of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec made the Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care on 15 June 2017;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 95 of the Professional Code (chapter C-26) and subject to sections 95.0.1 and 95.2 of the Code, every regulation made by the board of directors of a professional order under the Code or an Act constituting such an order must be transmitted to the Office des professions du Québec for examination and be submitted, with the recommendation of the Office, to the Government which may approve it with or without amendment;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 22 November 2017 with a notice that it could be submitted to the Government for approval on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 95 of the Professional Code, the Office examined the Regulation on 27 April 2018 and then submitted it to the Government with its recommendation;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice:

THAT the Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care, attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

ANDRÉ FORTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications and provide eye care

Optometry Act
(chapter O-7, s. 19.2)

DIVISION I ISSUE OF PERMITS

1. A permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medications for eye examination purposes only and a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care are issued to a member of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec who

(1) has submitted to the secretary of the Order an application for a permit on the form provided for that purpose;

(2) has paid the fees prescribed by the board of directors of the Order for the issue of the permit;