

PSORIASIS REPORT CARD

ACCESS TO CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS IN CANADA - 2014

3 Main Areas of Review



1. Access to Care

How long can you expect to wait to see a dermatologist? How many dermatologists are practicing in your province?



2. Access to Phototherapy

How easy is it to get access to a phototherapy unit in your province?



3. Access to Medications

How easy is it for you to get access to medications that you need? Will the cost be covered under provincial health care plans?

HOW DID CANADA DO?

Average Wait Times



*wait times for Saskatchewan and Manitoba and for the Atlantic Provinces were combined due to small number of responses.

Needs Improvement



As a whole, Canada only has 1 full-time medical dermatologist for every 67,400 population. This number does not reflect the drastic shortage in non-urban areas.



Access to Dermatological Care

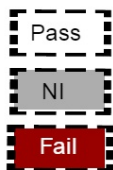
Did You Know
Prince Edward Island does not have a single dermatologist in the entire province.

Access to Phototherapy

FAIL

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11 out of 13 provinces fail to provide access to phototherapy services. Also, not a single province or territorial government include home phototherapy as an insured service.



* NI = Needs Improvement



Did You Know

New Brunswick and the Northwest Territories are the only two provinces/territories who did not fail when it came to access to Phototherapy clinics.



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FAIL

Access to Medications

Only 4/13 provinces meet the CAPP benchmark standard of funding at least 90% of standard care drugs for psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis.

Although a few provinces have excellent records of providing standard therapy drugs, all jurisdictions place inordinate restrictions on their use.



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No province or territory funds all standard of care drugs for the treatment of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis.

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