

## New Website Allows Saskatchewan Residents To Access Their Personal Health Information Anywhere, Anytime

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Saskatchewan residents can now look at their laboratory test results and other health records online anywhere, anytime.

Rural and Remote Health Minister Warren Kaeding, today launched MySaskHealthRecord—a secure website that gives eligible Saskatchewan residents quick and easy access to their personal health information.

"This is a game changer, giving patients the information they need to play an active role in their health care," Kaeding said. "Some provinces that offer similar programs have delays built in so that people have to wait to see their own personal health information, and some provinces only provide limited lab results or require people to have a family physician in order to sign up.

"Saskatchewan is leading the nation with the rollout of MySaskHealthRecord. Our program gives people access to their lab results, plus other important health information, as soon as it's available."

"Today's announcement is the result of years of work and testing by eHealth Saskatchewan, TELUS Health and collaboration with our health system partners," eHealth Saskatchewan CEO Jim Hornell said. "Everyone involved in this project shares a common goal—improving patient care. We're proud of the role we played in creating an innovative and beneficial program that truly puts patients first."

MySaskHealthRecord is open to Saskatchewan residents who are 18 years of age and older. To register, residents will need a valid Saskatchewan health card, plus a Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI) driver's licence or SGI photo ID card.

Residents who register will have quick and easy access to their personal health information, including laboratory test results, medical imaging reports and clinical visit history, including hospital admissions. Residents will also be able to add their own personal information to track and generate reports; set medication

and appointment reminders; and upload information from health devices such as wearable activity trackers.

"Congratulations to Saskatchewan for taking this big step to give residents online access to their personal health information," Canada Health Infoway President and CEO Michael Green said. "Patients and the health system will see significant benefits from things like fewer unnecessary phone calls and less time taken off work for routine medical appointments. More importantly, greater access to information empowers patients to be more active participants in their care, and that can result in better health outcomes."

All personal health information in MySaskHealthRecord is safe and private. Residents who sign up will only be able to access their accounts through a highly secure, personalized login.

To register for a MySaskHealthRecord account, go to www.eHealthSask.ca.

## About eHealth:

eHealth Saskatchewan is a Treasury Board Crown Corporation comprised of many different business areas that all share the same overall mission to support and improve health care in Saskatchewan.

The organization has been mandated by the province to lead all IT services for the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) and set up a single provincial IT service that supports the delivery of health care throughout the province.

eHealth also collects, combines, stores and manages the electronic health records of Saskatchewan people. The organization also manages a variety of programs and services that give health care providers secure electronic access to important patient information from anywhere in the province.

Health Registries and Vital Statistics are also a part of eHealth. Residents can apply for, update or replace a Saskatchewan Health Card for insured health services and order birth, stillbirth, marriage, death and genealogy certificates. eHealth also processes applications for legal name changes and changes of sex designation.

**Canada Health Infoway** helps to improve the health of Canadians by working with partners to accelerate the development, adoption and effective use of digital health across Canada. Through their investments, they help deliver better quality and access to care and more efficient delivery of health services for patients and clinicians. Infoway is an independent, not-for-profit organization funded by the federal government.

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