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To the College of Pharmacists of BC,

As President of the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society (PhUS) at the UBC Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, I am writing to you in support of the Certified Pharmacist Prescriber (CPP) framework proposed by the College of Pharmacists of BC (CPBC).

The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences is ready to introduce the Flex PharmD Degree and is moving closer to graduating the first cohort of the Entry-to-Practice Doctor of Pharmacy program. As such, we should reflect how pharmacy education has evolved to enable an expanded scope of practice. Students in both the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and Entry-to-Practice Doctor of Pharmacy programs are taught a strong foundation in evidence based knowledge, receive training in physical assessment techniques, and are shown the value of interprofessional collaboration. Furthermore, with the introduction of module-based and spiral learning, students experience a novel form of education which allows for them to make patient values the centre of medication management.

An area of much discussion among students is the ability for our profession to adapt with our extensive education. We often wonder how our growing skills and knowledge can be utilized in a way beneficial to patients and our profession. PhUS, the Faculty's governing student council made up of students across both programs and all four years, support the CPP framework proposed by the CPBC and believe that it can lead to safe and effective medication management and the highest degree of patient-centered care.

Sincerely,

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