AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE PROGRAM RESPECTING THE PROVISION OF THE MEDICATION NALOXONE AND CERTAIN SUPPLIES FREE OF CHARGE

### BETWEEN

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, for and on behalf of the Québec government,

hereinafter "the Minister"

### AND

THE RÉGIE DE L'ASSURANCE MALADIE DU QUÉBEC, represented by Paul Marceau, President and Chief Executive Officer,

hereinafter "the Board"

WHEREAS under the terms of the first paragraph of section 2 of the *Act respecting the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec* (CQLR, chapter R-5), the function of the Board is to administer and implement the programs of the health insurance plan instituted by the *Health Insurance Act* (CQLR, chapter A-29) and any other program entrusted to it by law or by the Government;

WHEREAS under the terms of the first paragraph of section 2.1 of that Act, the Board shall recover, from the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux or the body concerned, the cost of services and goods it assumes under a program entrusted to it by law or by the Government, to the extent provided for under that program;

WHEREAS under the terms of section 3 of that Act, the Board is a legal person and, in this capacity, it possesses all powers needed to accomplish its mission, including concluding agreements;

WHEREAS under the terms of the fifteenth paragraph of section 3 of the Health Insurance Act, the Board shall also assume the cost of the services and goods provided under the programs it administers by virtue of the first paragraph of section 2 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec according to the conditions and methods provided for under those programs;

WHEREAS under the terms of Décret 1073-2017, dated 1 November 2017 (2017, G.O. 2, 5256), the Government entrusted to the Board the Program respecting the provision of the medication naloxone and certain supplies free of charge, the terms of which must be set out in an agreement to be concluded between the Minister and the Board;

WHEREAS the Minister and the Board signed the Agreement on the Program respecting the provision of the medication naloxone and certain supplies free of charge on 9 November 2017, and the program came into effect on 10 November 2017;

WHEREAS, clause 6 of that agreement provides that, at the written request of the Minister or of the Board, the parties may, in a supplementary written agreement which they sign, amend the agreement in so far as the amendments respect the program's financial framework and direction:

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend that agreement so that persons concerned by the program have access to naloxone in nasal spray form and that the amendments respect the program's financial framework and direction;

THEREFORE, the parties agree to the following, effective from the date of coming into force of this Agreement:

## 1. AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT

Schedule A of the Agreement on the Program respecting the provision of the medication naloxone and certain supplies free of charge is amended by the addition, at the end, of the following:

| "Narcan™ naloxone<br>hydrochloride nasal spray<br>(4 mg/0.1 ml)   | 2 nasal spray<br>units       | \$92.00  | 4                                       |
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| Preassembled kit containing 2 formats of injectable naloxone hydrochloride, 1 one-way barrier mask, 2 retractable-needle syringes, gloves and alcohol swabs | <sup>1</sup> 1 kit           | The purchase price² up to \$31.00¹                         | 4                                       |
| Preassembled kit containing 1 one-way barrier mask and gloves, in which must be added 2 units of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray                         | 1 kit                        | The purchase price <sup>2</sup> up to \$17.00 <sup>1</sup> | 4                                       |
| Alcohol swabs and gloves  | 4 swabs and 1 pair of gloves | The purchase price <sup>2</sup> up to \$0.70 <sup>1</sup>  | 16 swabs<br>and 4<br>pairs of<br>gloves |
| One-way barrier mask  | 1 barrier mask               | The purchase price <sup>2</sup> up to \$5.00 <sup>1</sup>  | 4                                       |

A maximum wholesaler mark-up of 6.5% may be added to this cost.

Where the purchase price exceeds the maximum reimbursable price of the medication, set by the Minister for the purposes of the program, the excess amount may not be claimed from the person benefiting from the program."

## 2. PUBLICATION OF THE AMENDMENTS

In the thirty (30) days following the signing of this Amendment to the agreement by the parties, the Board shall publish the program amendments on its website.

# 3. COMING INTO FORCE

This Amendment will come into force on 9 May 2018.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed two copies.

| At Québec,  |            | At Québec,   |  |
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| on  | 2018       | on 2018  |  |
| GAÉTAN BARRETTE<br>Minister of Health<br>Services | and Social | PAUL MARCEAU President and Chief Executive Officer of the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec |  |