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**Life Sciences Law in Canada**

*Life Sciences Law in Canada* provides a roadmap for protecting the intellectual property associated with medicines, medical devices, and natural health products in Canada, for getting them on to the market and for keeping them on the market. All the legislation and regulations applicable to companies carrying on business in Canada in the life sciences, be they major, established pharmaceutical companies or small, fledgling start-ups, is examined in detail.

This publication has been relaunched in March 2019. It contains several significant updates to existing content in several chapters, the addition of brand-new topical material relevant to the recent developments in Canadian life sciences law, and revised Appendices that provide a current and comprehensive review of the law. Specifically, Chapter 2 (Regulation of Products under the Cannabis Act), and Chapter 12 (Privacy Law in Canada) have both been added as new chapters. Chapter 4 (Pharmaceutical Pricing) is revised, and Appendix C of Chapter 8 (Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) — Summary of Procedures) is also updated. The *Cannabis Act* and the *Cannabis Regulations* have both been added to the publication in the Appendices as a helpful reference tool.

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## Highlights

- **Privacy Law in Canada** — this new chapter includes detailed commentary on the legislative framework of privacy law in Canada, the basic principles underlying privacy law issues, personal health information protection, human subject research, and responses to privacy breaches, amongst other topics. The chapter also includes fifteen appendices that include guidelines from the Information and Privacy Commission of Ontario, relevant privacy legislation and regulations, and frequently asked questions, amongst other topics, for reference purposes
- **Regulations of Products under the *Cannabis Act*** — this new chapter includes commentary on the regulation of cannabis products under the *Cannabis Act* and the *Cannabis Regulations*. The chapter covers material pertaining to access to medical cannabis, licences to sell medical cannabis, packaging, labelling, and marketing of medical cannabis products and test kits, amongst other topics.