

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CLASS ACTION INVOLVING THE MEDICATION REQUIP**

*Jacques Sanschagrin v. GlaxoSmithKline Inc.*, Superior Court (District of Montreal): 500-06-000479-093

**This notice could affect your legal rights. Please read it carefully.**

On October 9, 2014, the Superior Court of Quebec authorized the bringing of a class action filed by Petitioner Jacques Sanschagrin against GlaxoSmithKline and approved the settlement of this class action. The members of the group affected by the settlement are:

*Quebec residents who were prescribed and ingested the medication sold under the name of Requip prior to September 4<sup>th</sup> 2014 and who subsequently developed an impulse control disorder.*

Only gambling losses and life impacts sustained prior to **August 10, 2009** shall entitle a member to compensation.

**SUMMARY OF THE SETTLEMENT**

The settlement was concluded without any admission of fault or liability. The settlement provides that:

- a) GlaxoSmithKline will pay a total amount of **\$550,000**, to be divided as follows:
  - **\$50,000** for the settlement's administrative fees, fees of notices to members and Petitioner's lawyers' expenses, **\$15,000** held in trust by Petitioner's lawyers to be distributed to group members if the *Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec* has not made a claim within three years of the publication of the present notice, 15% of the total amount (plus taxes) for Petitioner's lawyers' fees and any amount that the *Fonds d'aide aux recours collectifs* could be entitled to claim pursuant to the law;
  - The balance of **\$390,146** (or, as the case may be, the amount remaining after a deduction of the amount of the Class Action Assistance Fund's claim), will be divided into two distinct amounts:
    - The first, **\$350,000**, will go to the indemnification of gambling losses; and
    - The second, **\$40,146**, will go to the indemnification of repercussions that have affected group members' quality of life.
- b) A member can receive an indemnity if they experienced gambling losses and/or repercussions affecting their quality of life by sending a claim form and supporting documentation to the Administrator, Collectiva Class Action Services inc., **before April 21, 2015**.
- c) Using a point system that will account for the amount and nature of gambling losses and/or the number of repercussions affecting a group member's quality of life, the Administrator will determine the indemnity payable to each member; indemnity which cannot be more than \$5,000 for repercussions affecting a group member's quality of life.
- d) Group members can appeal the Administrator's decision. Judgments rendered by the Superior Court of Québec will be final and binding.
- e) GlaxoSmithKline may cancel the settlement if it finds that the exclusions from the settlement create a risk of judicial proceedings and entail financial consequences and Petitioner's lawyers may cancel the settlement if the admissible claims of group members with whom they have never been in contact prior to September 4, 2014 amount to more than \$200,000.

## **RIGHT OF EXCLUSION**

All members will be bound by the settlement unless they exclude themselves from it. Members can exclude themselves from the settlement by sending an exclusion form to the Administrator **before April 21, 2015**. Members who exclude themselves will not benefit from the settlement in any way.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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This notice provides a summary of the settlement; it is not intended to provide a complete description. The full text of the settlement is available online at [www.collectiva.ca](http://www.collectiva.ca), or at the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Québec.

**This Notice has been approved by the Superior Court of Québec.**