

Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL) Interim Update now available online

Please be advised that the **August 1, 2022** Updates to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)* has been posted online at ab.bluecross.ca/dbl/publications.php.

Please refer to the August 1, 2022 updates for complete listings of products available by special authorization, restricted benefits, added products, Least Cost Alternative (LCA) price changes, products with a price change and discontinued products.

Please note that the online *interactive Drug Benefit List (iDBL)*, available at ab.bluecross.ca/dbl/idbl_main1.php, is a near real-time application and, as such, contains the most up-to-date information.

Temporary benefit added to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*

Due to the unavailability of Jamp-Quinine 300 mg Capsule (DIN 02445204) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation and Teva-Quinine 300 mg Capsule (DIN 00021016) manufactured by Teva Canada Limited, Quinine-Odan 300 mg Capsule (DIN 00695459) manufactured by Odan Laboratories Ltd., will be considered a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*. This grouping was added to the Critical Supply Product List on **July 18, 2022**.

As of **July 18, 2022**, all claims for Quinine-Odan 300 mg Capsule (DIN 00695459) will be adjudicated to the price published in the most recent *Alberta Blue Cross Drug Price List (ABCDPL)* until further notice. The *ABCDPL* is available online at ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php.

Removal of temporary benefit from the *Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement (HSDBS)*

Due to the shortage of Salinex 0.9% Nasal Solution (NPN 80024901) manufactured by Exzell Pharma, Salinex 9 mg/ml Nasal Spray (NPN 80024381) manufactured by Exzell Pharma was added as temporary benefit for the *Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement (HSDBS)*.

Exzell Pharma has advised Alberta Blue Cross that the shortage of Salinex 0.9% Nasal Solution (NPN 80024901) has been resolved.

As a result, Salinex 9 mg/ml Nasal Spray (NPN 80024381) will no longer be considered a temporary benefit for the *HSDBS* **after August 22, 2022**. The above grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List on **July 20, 2022**.

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Product supply shortage addressed for Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Teva Canada Limited that the shortage for Teva-Clobetasol 0.05% Topical Ointment (DIN 01910280) has been resolved. Due to the long-term nature of this shortage, a transition period will be applied and, as a result, the LCA price policy will be reapplied to the following grouping effective **August 22, 2022**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List on **July 21, 2022**.

CLOBETASOL 17-PROPIONATE

0.05 % TOPICAL OINTMENT

00002026767	MYLAN-CLOBETASOL	MYP	\$ 0.2279
00002245524	TARO-CLOBETASOL	TAR	\$ 0.2279
00001910280	TEVA-CLOBETASOL	TEV	\$ 0.2279
00002213273	DERMOVATE	TPT	\$ 0.9674

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Sandoz Canada Inc. that the shortage for Sandoz Azithromycin 40 mg/ml Suspension (DIN 02332396) has been resolved. Due to the long-term nature of this shortage, a transition period will be applied and, as a result, the LCA price policy will be reapplied to the following grouping effective **August 22, 2022**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List on **July 21, 2022**.

AZITHROMYCIN

40 MG / ML ORAL SUSPENSION

00002482371	AURO-AZITHROMYCIN	AUR	\$ 0.8330
00002332396	SANDOZ AZITHROMYCIN	SDZ	\$ 0.8330
00002223724	ZITHROMAX	PFI	\$ 1.6026

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Purdue Pharma that the shortage for MS.IR 10 mg Tablet (DIN 02014211) has been resolved. Due to the long-term nature of this shortage, a transition period will be applied and, as a result, the LCA price policy will be reapplied to the following grouping effective **August 22, 2022**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List on **July 22, 2022**.

MORPHINE SULFATE

10 MG TABLET

00002014211	MS.IR	PUR	\$ 0.1700
00000594644	STATEX	PAL	\$ 0.1805

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