PHARMACY BENEFACT

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS®

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

Due to the unavailability of Apo-Amoxi 25 mg/mL Oral Suspension (DIN 00628131) manufactured by Apotex Inc., Jamp-Amoxicillin 50 mg/mL Oral Suspension (DIN 02535815) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation will be considered a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*. This grouping was added to the Critical Supply Product List **May 26, 2023**.

As of **May 26, 2023**, all claims for **Jamp-Amoxicillin 50 mg/mL Oral Suspension (DIN 02535815)** 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**

Due to the unavailability of Folic Acid 5 mg Tablet (DIN 00426849) manufactured by AA Pharma Inc., Jamp-Folic 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02366061) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation and Sandoz Folic Acid 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02285673) manufactured by Sandoz Canada Inc., Jamp-Folic Acid 1 mg Tablet (DIN 80053274) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation will be considered a temporary benefit for the Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL). This grouping was added to the Critical Supply Product List **June 12, 2023**.

As of **June 12, 2023**, all claims for **Jamp-Folic Acid 1 mg Tablet (DIN 80053274)** 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 Benefits from the ADBL

Due to the shortage of Isopto Carpine 2% Ophthalmic Solution (DIN 00000868) manufactured by Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc., Pilocarpine Nitrate 2% Ophthalmic Solution (DIN 02148463) manufactured by Bausch and Lomb Canada Inc. was added as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

Alberta Blue Cross® has confirmed that the shortage for Isopto Carpine 2% Ophthalmic Solution (DIN 00000868) has been resolved.

Pilocarpine Nitrate 2% Ophthalmic Solution (DIN 02148463) will no longer be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL* after **July 17, 2023**. The above grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **June 15, 2023**.

Due to the shortage of Humatrope 6 mg Injection (DIN 02243077) and Humatrope 12 mg Injection (DIN 02243078) manufactured Eli Lilly Canada Inc., Humatrope 24 mg Injection (DIN 02243079) manufactured by Eli Lilly Canada Inc. was added as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

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Alberta Blue Cross has confirmed that the shortage for Humatrope 6 mg Injection (DIN 02243077) and Humatrope 12 mg Injection (DIN 02243078) has been resolved.

Humatrope 24 mg Injection (DIN 02243079) will no longer be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL* after **July 17, 2023**. The above grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **June 15, 2023**.

Product supply shortages addressed for *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*

Alberta Blue Cross has confirmed that the shortage for Teva-Sucralfate 1 g Tablet (DIN 02045702) 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 **July 16, 2023**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **June 16, 2023**.

SUCRALFATE

1 G TABLET

00002125250	APO-SUCRALFATE	APX	\$ 0.3089
00002045702	TEVA-SUCRALFATE	TEV	\$ 0.3089
00002100622	SULCRATE	AXC	\$ 0.6695

Alberta Blue Cross has confirmed that the shortage for Apo-Dabigatran 110 mg Capsule (DIN 02468905) 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 **July 19, 2023**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **June 19, 2023**.

DABIGATRAN ETEXILATE

110 MG CAPSULE

00002468905	APO-DABIGATRAN	APX	\$ 1.2540
00002312441	PRADAXA	BOE	\$ 1.7309

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