## PHARMACY **BENEFACT**

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

Due to the unavailability of Ozempic 1.34 mg/ml (0.25 mg or 0.5 mg dose) Pen Injection (DIN 02471477) and Ozempic 1.34 mg/ml (1 mg dose) Pen Injection (DIN 02471469) manufactured by Novo Nordisk Canada Inc., **Ozempic 0.68 mg/ml** (0.25 mg or 0.5mg dose) Pen Injection (DIN 02540258) manufactured by Novo Nordisk Canada Inc. will be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL*. Please note Ozempic was added to the Critical Supply Product List **August 21, 2023**.

As of **January 4**, **2024**, all claims for **Ozempic 0.68 mg/ml (0.25 mg or 0.5mg dose) Pen Injection (DIN 02540258)** 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 Teva-Cephalexin 125 25 mg/ml Oral Suspension (DIN 00342106) and Teva-Cephalexin 250 50 mg/ml Oral Suspension (DIN 00342092), Lupin-Cephalexin 25 mg/ml Oral Suspension (DIN 02469170) will be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL*. This grouping was previously added to the Critical Supply Product List effective December 9, 2022.

As of **December 28, 2023**, all claims for **Lupin-Cephalexin 25 mg/ml Oral Suspension (DIN 02469170)** will be adjudicated to the price published in the most recent *ABCDPL* until further notice. The *ABCDPL* is available online at **ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php**.

Due to the unavailability Lodalis 625 mg Tablet (DIN 02373955) manufactured by Bausch Health, **Apo-Colesevelam 625 mg Tablet (DIN 02494051)** will be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL*. This grouping was added to the Critical Supply Product List effective **January 2, 2024**.

As of January 2, 2024, all claims for Apo-Colesevelam 625 mg Tablet (DIN 02494051) will be adjudicated to the price published in the most recent *ABCDPL* until further notice. The *ABCDPL* is available online at <u>ab.bluecross.ca/providers/</u><u>pharmacy-home.php</u>.

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