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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc. that the shortage of pms-Valproic Acid 50 mg/ml Oral Syrup (DIN 02236807) 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 October 9, 2015.**

VALPROIC ACID

50 MG / ML ORAL SYRUP

00002236807	PMS-VALPROIC ACID	PMS	\$ 0.0379
00002238370	APO-VALPROIC	APX	\$ 0.0605
00000443832	DEPAKENE	BGP	\$ 0.1153

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc. that the shortage of Apo-Riluzole 50 mg Tablet (DIN 02352583) 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 October 12, 2015.**

RILUZOLE

50 MG ORAL TABLET

00002352583	APO-RILUZOLE	APX	\$ 3.4361
00002390299	MYLAN-RILUZOLE	MYP	\$ 3.4361
00002242763	RILUTEK	SAV	\$ 10.0542

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Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc. that the shortage of Apo-Atenidone 50 mg/25 mg Tablet (DIN 02248763) has been resolved. Due to the long-term nature of this shortage, a transition period will be applied, and as a result, first tier pricing will be reapplied to the following grouping **effective October 12, 2015.**

ATENOLOL / CHLORTHALIDONE

50 MG / 25 MG ORAL TABLET

00002248763	APO-ATENIDONE	APX	\$ 0.3195
00002302918	TEVA-ATENOLTHALIDONE	TEV	\$ 0.3355
00002049961	TENORETIC 50/25	AZC	\$ 0.6773

When you have questions:

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