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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Sandoz Canada Inc. that the shortage of Sandoz Carbamazepine CR 200 mg Sustained-Release Tablet (DIN 02261839) 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 **January 18, 2016:** 

## **CARBAMAZEPINE**

## 200 MG ORAL SUSTAINED-RELEASE TABLET

00002241882	MYLAN-CARBAMAZEPINE CR	MYP	\$ 0.0930
00002231543	PMS-CARBAMAZEPINE-CR	PMS	\$ 0.0930
00002261839	SANDOZ CARBAMAZEPINE CR	SDZ	\$ 0.0930
00000773611	TEGRETOL CR	NOV	\$ 0.4063

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Hospira Healthcare Corporation that the shortage of Deferoxamine Mesylate 2 g/Vial for Injection (DIN 02247022) 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 **January 18, 2016:** 

## **DEFEROXAMINE MESYLATE**

## 2 G / VIAL INJECTION

00002247022	DEFEROXAMINE MESYLATE	HSP	\$ 20.4027
00001981250	DESFERAL	NOV	\$ 57.5300

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc., Teva Canada Limited and Pharmascience Inc. that the shortages of Apo-Desmopressin 0.2 mg Tablet (DIN 02284049), Novo-Desmopressin 0.2 mg Tablet (DIN 023043749) and pms-Desmopressin 0.2 mg Tablet (DIN 02304376) 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 **January 22, 2016:** 

## **DESMOPRESSIN ACETATE**

## **0.2 MG ORAL TABLET**

00002284049	APO-DESMOPRESSIN	APX	\$ 0.6608
00002287749	NOVO-DESMOPRESSIN	TEV	\$ 0.6608
00002304376	PMS-DESMOPRESSIN	PMS	\$ 0.6608
00000824143	DDVAP	FEI	\$ 2.6670

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc., Mylan Pharmaceuticals ULC, Sanis Health Inc., Pharmascience Inc. and Teva Canada Limited that the shortages of Apo-Naproxen EC 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 02246701), Mylan-Naproxen EC 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 02241024), Naproxen EC 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 02350807), pms-Naproxen EC 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 02294710) and Teva-Naprox EC 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 02243314), have 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 **January 22, 2016:** 

## **NAPROXEN**

## **500 MG ORAL ENTERIC-COATED TABLET**

00002246701	APO-NAPROXEN EC	APX	\$ 0.2110	\$ 0.2110
00002241024	<b>MYLAN-NAPROXEN EC</b>	MYP	\$ 0.2110	\$ 0.2110
00002350807	NAPROXEN EC	SNS	\$ 0.2110	\$ 0.2110
00002294710	PMS-NAPROXEN EC	PMS	\$ 0.2110	\$ 0.2110
00002243314	TEVA-NAPROX EC	TEV	\$ 0.2110	\$ 0.2110
00002162423	NAPROSYN E	HLR	\$ 0.2110	\$ 1.0537

MAC pricing has been applied based on the LCA price for  $1 \times 500$  mg oral tablet.

## When you have questions:

For assistance with benefit or claim inquiries, please contact an Alberta Blue Cross Pharmacy Services Provider Relations contact centre representative at:

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