

## Removal of temporary benefit from the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*

Due to the shortage of Acetylcysteine 20% Inhalation Solution (DIN 02243098), manufactured by Sandoz Canada Inc, Acetylcysteine 20% Inhalation Solution (DIN 02300435) was added as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

Sandoz Canada Inc. has advised Alberta Blue Cross that the shortage of Acetylcysteine 20% Inhalation Solution (DIN 02243098) has been resolved.

As a result, Acetylcysteine 20% Inhalation Solution (DIN 02300435) will no longer be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL* after **February 15, 2016**.

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Sivem Pharmaceuticals ULC and Pharmascience Inc. that the shortages for Telmisartan HCTZ 80 mg/25 mg Tablet (DIN 02390310) and Telmisartan-HCTZ 80 mg/25 mg Tablet (DIN 02433222), respectively, 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 **February 15, 2016**.

### TELMISARTAN/ HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE

#### 80 MG / 25 MG TABLET

00002419122	ACH-TELMISARTAN HCTZ	AHI	\$ 0.2821
00002420031	APO-TELMISARTAN/HCTZ	APX	\$ 0.2821
00002373572	MYLAN-TELMISARTAN HCTZ	MYP	\$ 0.2821
00002401673	PMS-TELMISARTAN-HCTZ	PMS	\$ 0.2821
00002390310	TELMISARTAN HCTZ	SIV	\$ 0.2821
00002433222	TELMISARTAN-HCTZ	PMS	\$ 0.2821
00002393271	ACT TELMISARTAN/HCT	APH	\$ 0.2914
00002393565	SANDOZ TELMISARTAN HCT	SDZ	\$ 0.2914
00002395363	TELMISARTAN/HCTZ	SNS	\$ 0.2914
00002379252	TEVA-TELMISARTAN HCTZ	TEV	\$ 0.2914
00002318709	MICARDIS PLUS	BOE	\$ 1.1657

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Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Mylan Pharmaceuticals ULC. and Teva Limited Canada that the shortages of Mylan-Buprenorphine Naloxone 2 mg/0.5 mg Sublingual Tablet (DIN 02408090) and Teva-Buprenorphine/Naloxone 2 mg/0.5 mg Sublingual Tablet (DIN 02424851) 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 **February 18, 2016**.

#### **BUPRENORPHINE HCL/ NALOXONE HYDROCHLORIDE DIHYDRATE**

##### **2 MG / 0.5 MG SUBLINGUAL TABLET**

<b>00002408090</b>	<b>MYLAN-BUPRENORPHINE NALOXONE</b>	<b>MYP</b>	<b>\$ 1.3350</b>
<b>00002424851</b>	<b>TEVA-BUPRENORPHINE/NALOXONE</b>	<b>TEV</b>	<b>\$ 1.3350</b>
00002295695	SUBOXONE	IUK	\$ 2.6700

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc. that the shortage of pms-Sulfasalazine 500 mg Enteric-Coated Tablet (DIN 00598488) 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 February 19, 2016.

#### **SULFASALAZINE**

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

<b>00000598488</b>	<b>PMS-SULFAZALAZINE</b>	<b>PMS</b>	<b>\$ 0.3530</b>
00002064472	SALAZOPYRIN EN-TABS	PFI	\$ 0.4038

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#### **When you have questions:**

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