

# Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by EMD Serono Canada Inc that the shortage of Serophene 50 mg Tablet (DIN 00893722) 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 **April 22, 2016**.

### CLOMIPHENE CITRATE

#### 50 MG TABLET

00000893722	SEROPHENE	SRO	\$ 5.0630
00002091879	CLOMID	SAV	\$ 5.6948

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc. that the shortage of pms-Ipratropium 0.03% Nasal Spray (DIN 02239627) 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 **April 22, 2016**.

### IPRATROPIUM BROMIDE

#### 0.03% NASAL SPRAY

00002239627	PMS-IPRATROPIUM	PMS	\$ 0.7565
00002163705	ATROVENT	BOE	\$ 0.9930

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Genmed, a Division of Pfizer Canada Inc. that the shortage of GD-Quinapril 10 mg Tablet (DIN 02290995) 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 **April 25, 2016**.

### QUINAPRIL

#### 10 MG TABLET

00002248500	APO-QUINAPRIL	APX	\$ 0.2321
00002290995	GD-QUINAPRIL	GMD	\$ 0.2321
00001947672	ACCUPRIL	PFI	\$ 0.9238

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Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc. that the shortage of Apo-Quinapril/HCTZ 20 mg/12.5 mg Tablet (DIN 02408775) 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 **April 25, 2016**.

#### QUINAPRIL / HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE

##### 20 MG / 12.5 MG TABLET

00002408775	APO-QUINAPRIL/HCTZ	APX	\$ 0.6865
00002237368	ACCURETIC 20/25	PFI	\$ 0.9192

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Ratiopharm that the shortage of Ratio-Tecnal Capsule (DIN 00608238) 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 **April 25, 2016**.

#### BUTALBITAL / CAFFEINE / ASA

##### 50 MG / 40 MG / 330 MG CAPSULE

00000608238	RATIO-TECNAL	RPH	\$ 1.4687
00000226327	FIORINAL	TRI	\$ 1.5402

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

Due to the shortage of Euro Folic 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02285673) manufactured by Euro-Pharm, Jamp-Folic Acid 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02366061) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation was added as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

Euro-Pharm has advised Alberta Blue Cross that the shortage of Euro Folic 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02285673) has been resolved.

As a result, Jamp-Folic Acid 5 mg Tablet (DIN 02366061) will no longer be considered a temporary benefit for the *ADBL* after **April 22, 2016**.

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#### 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:

780-498-8370 (Edmonton and area) • 403-294-4041 (Calgary and area) • 1-800-361-9632 (toll free)  
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