

Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc. that the shortage of pms-Lamotrigine 100 mg Tablet (DIN 02246898) 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 **June 21, 2016**.

LAMOTRIGINE

100 MG TABLET

00002245209	APO-LAMOTRIGINE	APX	\$0.3735
00002246898	PMS-LAMOTRIGINE	PMS	\$0.3735
00002381362	AURO-LAMOTRIGINE	AUR	\$0.3871
00002343029	LAMOTRIGINE	SNS	\$0.3871
00002428210	LAMOTRIGINE	SIV	\$0.3871
00002265508	MYLAN-LAMOTRIGINE	MYP	\$0.3871
00002248233	TEVA-LAMOTRIGINE	TEV	\$0.3871
00002142104	LAMICTAL	GSK	\$1.5483

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

Due to the shortage of Dexiron 50 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02205963) manufactured by Luitpold Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Feraheme 30 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02377217) manufactured by Takeda Canada, Inc., Ferrlecit 12.5 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02243333) manufactured by Sanofi – Aventis and Venofer 20 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02243716) manufactured by Luitpold Pharmaceuticals, Inc. were added as temporary benefits for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

Luitpold Pharmaceuticals, Inc. has advised Alberta Blue Cross that the shortage of Dexiron 50 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02205963) has been resolved.

As a result, Feraheme 30 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02377217), Ferrlecit 12.5 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02243333) and Venofer 20 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02243716) will no longer be considered temporary benefits for the *ADBL* after **June 20, 2016**.

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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