

Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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Temporary benefit added to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*

Due to the unavailability of Teva-Spironolactone 25 mg Tablet (DIN 00613215) manufactured by Teva Canada Limited, Aldactone 25 mg Tablet (DIN 00028606) manufactured by Pfizer Canada Inc., will be considered as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

As of **July 31, 2017**, all claims for Aldactone 25 mg Tablet (DIN 00028606) will be adjudicated to the price published in the most recent *Alberta Blue Cross Drug Price List (ABCDPL)* until further notice. The *ABCDPL* is available online at <https://www.ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.html>.

If this situation continues to be a long-term matter then this product is subject to the usual review process by the Expert Committee on Drug Evaluation and Therapeutics and must be approved by the Minister of Health for addition to the *ADBL* in order to remain as a benefit.

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Teva Canada Limited that the shortage for Teva-Combo Sterinebs Inhalation Solution (DIN 02272695) 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 **September 13, 2017**.

IPRATROPIUM BROMIDE/ SALBUTAMOL SULFATE

0.2 MG / ML / 1 MG / ML INHALATION SOLUTION

00002272695	TEVA-COMBO STERINEBS	TEV	\$ 0.5318
00002231675	COMBIVENT UDV	BOE	\$ 0.6211

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)

FAX 780-498-8406 (Edmonton and area) • FAX 1-877-305-9911 (toll free)

Alberta Blue Cross offers online access to current Pharmacy Benefacts and supplemental claiming information to assist with the submission of your direct bill drug claims. Visit <https://www.ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php>



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