

Pharmacy Benefact

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pan-Canadian Pharmaceutical Alliance (pCPA) and the Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association (CGPA) release a joint statement regarding generic price reductions

On behalf of participating federal, provincial and territorial public drug plans, the pan-Canadian Pharmaceutical Alliance (pCPA), with the Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association (CGPA) have jointly developed a new five-year initiative that will provide significant savings for all Canadians who use prescription generic drugs, participating public drug plans and employee drug plans. Full details surrounding this announcement can be found at the following website: www.newswire.ca/news-releases/a-joint-statement-from-the-pan-canadian-pharmaceutical-alliance-and-the-canadian-generic-pharmaceutical-association-671651014.html.

Price points of impacted molecules are publically posted at the following website: formulary.drugplan.ehealthsask.ca/PanCanadian.aspx to allow pharmacies, manufacturers and wholesalers time to adjust inventories and manage their existing stock.

The April 1, 2018 Updates To confirming the specific drug products, including DINs, funded through the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)* will be published by February 28, 2018, to give pharmacies, manufacturers and wholesalers time to adjust inventories and manage stock. Alberta Blue Cross will maintain the process outlined in the Alberta Price Policy and as such, these affected generic drugs will not be subject to a Transitional Period and decreased prices will become effective April 1, 2018.

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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