

Pharmacy Benefact

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Take Home Naloxone (THN) Program Update

Further to Benefacts 575, 612, 672 and 715 regarding the Take Home Naloxone (THN) Program, new information is provided including details on claims for THN kits.

Due to the reclassification of naloxone from prescription to non-prescription status, Naloxone Hydrochloride 0.4 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02393034) has been replaced with Naloxone Hydrochloride 0.4 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02455935). Both products are manufactured by Omega Laboratories Limited, and there is no change to the actual drug, only to the label where the symbol indicating prescription status has been removed. Due to this change, effective **April 1, 2018**, Naloxone Hydrochloride 0.4 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02455935) has been added to the THN Program.

As THN kits containing Naloxone Hydrochloride Injection 0.4 mg/ml Injection (DIN 02393034) may still be in circulation, no changes have been made at this time to the coverage of this product under the THN program. Please continue to submit claims for THN kits using the DIN of the naloxone product included in the dispensed THN kit.

For additional information on claims processes, order quantities, and expired naloxone under the THN Program, please refer to Benefact 715.

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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