

# Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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## Temporary benefit added to the *Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement (HSDBS)*

Due to the unavailability of Pediatrix 80 mg/ml Oral Drops (DIN 02027801) manufactured by Teva Canada Limited, Tempra Infant 80 mg/ml Oral Drops (DIN 00875988) manufactured by Paladin Labs Inc., will be considered as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement (HSDBS)*.

As of **January 14, 2019**, all claims for Tempra Infant 80 mg/ml Oral Drops (DIN 00875988) 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 [ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.html](http://ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.html).

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Taro Pharmaceuticals Inc. that the shortage for Taro-Carbamazepine 20 mg/ml Oral Suspension (DIN 02367394) 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 February 19, 2019.

### CARBAMAZEPINE

#### 20 MG / ML ORAL SUSPENSOPN

|             |                    |     |           |
|-------------|--------------------|-----|-----------|
| 00002367394 | TARO-CARBAMAZEPINE | TAR | \$ 0.0679 |
| 00002194333 | TEGRETOL           | NOV | \$ 0.0815 |

### 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 [ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php](http://ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php)



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