

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.

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)

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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



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