

Pharmacy Benefact

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Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL) Interim Update now available online

Please be advised that the **September 1, 2019** Updates to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)* has been posted online at www.ab.bluecross.ca/dbl/publications.php

Please refer to the September 1, 2019 updates for complete listings of products available by special authorization, products available by step therapy/special authorization, products available by restricted benefit/special authorization, products with changes to criteria for coverage, added products, new established interchangeable groupings, LCA price changes, products with a price change, discontinued listings and products removed from the *ADBL*.

Please note that the online *Interactive Drug Benefit List (iDBL)* at www.ab.bluecross.ca/dbl/idbl_main1.php is a near real-time application, and as such, contains the most up-to-date information.

Product supply shortages addressed for Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Jamp Pharma Corporation, Pharmascience Inc. and Teva Canada Limited that the shortages for Jamp-Irbesartan-Hydrochlorothiazide 300/12.5 mg Tablet (DIN 02418231), pms-Irbesartan-HCTZ 300/12.5 mg Tablet (DIN 02328526), and Teva-Irbesartan HCTZ 300/12.5 mg Tablet (DIN 02330520) respectively, have 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 23, 2019**.

IRBESARTAN/ HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE

300 MG / 12.5 MG TABLET

00002447886	AURO-IRBESARTAN HCT	AUR	\$ 0.2281
00002385325	IRBESARTAN HCT	SIV	\$ 0.2281
00002372894	IRBESARTAN/HCTZ	SNS	\$ 0.2281
00002418231	JAMP-IRBESARTAN-HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	JPC	\$ 0.2281
00002393018	MINT-IRBESARTAN/HCTZ	MPI	\$ 0.2281
00002328526	PMS-IRBESARTAN-HCTZ	PMS	\$ 0.2281
00002337436	SANDOZ IRBESARTAN HCT	SDZ	\$ 0.2281
00002330520	TEVA-IRBESARTAN HCTZ	TEV	\$ 0.2281
00002241819	AVALIDE 300/12.5	SAV	\$ 1.2671

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Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Sanis Health Inc. and Sandoz Canada Inc. that the shortages for Bupropion SR 150 mg Sustained-Release Tablet (DIN 02391570) and Sandoz Bupropion SR 150 mg Sustained-Release Tablet (DIN 02275082) respectively, have 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 23, 2019**.

BUPROPION HCL

150 MG SUSTAINED-RELEASE TABLET

00002391570	BUPROPION SR	SNS	\$ 0.2297
00002275082	SANDOZ BUPROPION SR	SDZ	\$ 0.2297
00002237825	WELLBUTRIN SR	VCL	\$ 1.0178

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc., Ranbaxy Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc., Sandoz Canada Inc. and Sivem Pharmaceuticals ULC that the shortages for Lansoprazole 15 mg Delayed-Release Capsule (DIN 02433001), Ran-Lansoprazole 15 mg Delayed-Release Capsule (DIN 02402610), Sandoz Lansoprazole 15 mg Delayed-Release Capsule (DIN 02385643), and Lansoprazole 15 mg Delayed-Release Capsule (DIN 02385767) respectively, have 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 23, 2019**.

LANSOPRAZOLE

15 MG DELAYED-RELEASE CAPSULE

00002293811	APO-LANSOPRAZOLE	APX	\$ 0.5000
00002385767	LANSOPRAZOLE	SIV	\$ 0.5000
00002357682	LANSOPRAZOLE	SNS	\$ 0.5000
00002433001	LANSOPRAZOLE	PMS	\$ 0.5000
00002353830	MYLAN-LANSOPRAZOLE	MYP	\$ 0.5000
00002402610	RAN-LANSOPRAZOLE	RAN	\$ 0.5000
00002385643	SANDOZ LANSOPRAZOLE	SDZ	\$ 0.5000
00002165503	PREVACID	BGP	\$ 2.0840

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)

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