

Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Sandoz Canada Inc. and Teva Canada Limited that the shortages of Sandoz Voriconazole 200 mg Tablet (DIN 02399253) and Teva-Voriconazole 200 mg Tablet (DIN 02396874) have been resolved. Due to the long term nature of these shortages, a transition period will be applied, and as a result, the LCA price policy will be reapplied to the following grouping effective **September 9, 2015**.

VORICONAZOLE

200 MG ORAL TABLET

00002409682	APO-VORICONAZOLE	APX	\$ 12.7777
00002399253	SANDOZ VORICONAZOLE	SDZ	\$ 12.7777
00002396784	TEVA-VORICONAZOLE	TEV	\$ 12.7777
00002256479	VFEND	PFI	\$ 51.1110

Temporary benefit added to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*

Due to the unavailability of Apo-Propafenone 150 mg Tablet (DIN 02243324) manufactured by Apotex Inc. and Rythmol 150 mg Tablet (DIN 00603708) manufactured by BGP Pharma ULC, pms-Propafenone 150 mg Tablet (DIN 02294559) manufactured by Pharmascience Inc. will be considered as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

As of August 5, 2015, all claims for pms-Propafenone 150 mg Tablet (DIN 02294559) 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 <https://www.ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.html>.

If this situation continues to be a long-term matter then this product is subject to the usual review process by the Expert Committee on Drug Evaluation and Therapeutics, and must be approved by the Minister of Health for addition to the *ADBL* in order to remain as a benefit.

When you have questions:

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