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

Please be advised that the **November 1, 2024** updates to the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)* are now available online at **ab.bluecross.ca/dbl/publications.php**.

Please refer to the **November 1, 2024** updates for the complete listings of products available by special authorization, optional special authorization, restricted benefits, added products, new established interchangeable groupings, least cost alternative (LCA) price changes, products with a price change, discontinued products and delisted products.

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

Product supply shortages addressed for ADBL

Alberta Blue Cross has confirmed that the shortage for Lidodan 5% Topical Ointment (DIN 02083795), manufactured by Odan Laboratories Ltd., 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 **November 18, 2024**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **October 18, 2024**:

LIDOCAINE

5% TOPICAL OINTMENT

00002386836	JAMPOCAINE	JPC	\$ 0.1984	
00002083795	LIDODAN	ODN	\$ 0.1984	
00000001961	XYLOCAINE	APC	\$ 0.3983	

Alberta Blue Cross has confirmed that the shortage for Apo-Doxylamine/B6 10 mg/10 mg Sustained-Release Tablet (DIN 02413248) 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 **November 18, 2024**. The following grouping was removed from the Critical Supply Product List **October 18, 2024**:

DOXYLAMINE SUCCINATE / PYRIDOXINE HCL

10 MG / 10 MG SUSTAINED-RELEASE TABLET

00002413248	APO-DOXYLAMINE/B6	APX	\$ 0.6402	
00002406187	PMS-DOXYLAMINE-PYRIDOXINE	PMS	\$ 0.6402	
00000609129	DICLECTIN	DUI	\$ 1.2803	

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