

# Pharmacy Benefact

A BULLETIN FOR PHARMACY SERVICE PROVIDERS FROM ALBERTA BLUE CROSS

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Teva Canada Limited that the shortage of Teva-Valganciclovir 450 mg Tablet (DIN 02413825) 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 October 16, 2015**.

### VALGANCICLOVIR HCL

#### 450 MG TABLET

00002393824	APO-VALGANCICLOVIR	APX	\$ 11.6062
00002413825	TEVA-VALGANCICLOVIR	TEV	\$ 11.6062
00002245777	VALCYTE	HLR	\$ 23.4212

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

Due to the unavailability of Apo-Fluconazole-150 150 mg Capsule (DIN 02241895) manufactured by Apotex Inc., pms-Fluconazole 150 mg Capsule (DIN 02282348) manufactured by Pharmascience Inc. and Jamp-Fluconazole 150 mg Capsule (DIN 02432471) manufactured by Jamp Pharma Corporation, Canesoral 150 mg Capsule (DIN 02311690), manufactured by Bayer Inc. (Consumer Division), will be considered as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement (HSDBS)*.

As of September 14, 2015, all claims for Canesoral 150 mg Capsule (DIN 02311690) 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 and must be approved by the Minister of Health for addition to the *HSDBS* in order to remain as a benefit.

### 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:

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