

# 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 Ratiopharm that the shortage of Ratio-Topisalic 0.5 mg/ml/20 mg/ml Topical Lotion (DIN 02245688) 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 24, 2016**.

### BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE / SALICYLIC ACID

#### 0.5 MG / ML / 20 MG / ML TOPICAL LOTION

00002245688	RATIO-TOPISALIC	RPH	\$ 0.4156
000000578428	DIPROSALIC	MFC	\$ 0.4448

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Pharmascience Inc. that the shortage of pms-Valproic Acid 50 mg/ml Oral Syrup (DIN 02236807) 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 26, 2016**.

### VALPROIC ACID

#### 50 MG / ML ORAL SYRUP

00002236807	PMS-VALPROIC ACID	PMS	\$ 0.0379
00002238370	APO-VALPROIC	APO	\$ 0.0605
00000443832	DEPAKENE	BGP	\$ 0.1153

### 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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