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

Due to the shortages of the following products, Propafenone 150 mg Tablet (DIN 02343053) manufactured by Sanis Health Inc., will be considered as a temporary benefit for the *Alberta Drug Benefit List (ADBL)*.

DIN	Product Description	Manufacturer	
02243324	Apo-Propafenone 150 mg Tablet	Apotex Inc.	
02457172	Mylan-Propafenone 150 mg Tablet	Mylan Pharmaceuticals ULC	
00603708	Rythmol 150 mg Tablet	BGP Pharma ULC	
02243325	Apo-Propafenone 300 mg Tablet	Apotex Inc.	
02457164	Mylan-Propafenone 300 mg Tablet	Mylan Pharmaceuticals ULC	
00603716	Rythmol 300 mg Tablet	BGP Pharma ULC	

As of **May 9, 2018**, all claims for Propafenone 150 mg Tablet (DIN 02343053) 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 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.

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

Alberta Blue Cross has been advised by Apotex Inc. that the shortage of Apo-Levocarb CR 100/25 mg Extended-Release Tablet (DIN 02272873) 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 **June 16, 2018**.

## LEVODOPA/ CARBIDOPA

### 100 MG / 25 MG SUSTAINED-RELEASE TABLET

00002272873	APO-LEVOCARB CR	APX	\$ 0.3857
00002028786	SINEMET CR 100/25	MFC	\$ 0.7888

## When you have questions:

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