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NOVA SCOTIA FORMULARY UPDATES

NEW PRODUCT ADDED TO THE NOVA SCOTIA FORMULARY

The following product is a new listing to the Nova Scotia Formulary. The benefit status of this product within the Nova Scotia Pharmacare Programs is indicated.

CATEGORY & PRODUCT	DIN/PIN	MFR	PRESCRIBER	STATUS
Olmotec Plus® 40mg/25mg Tab	02319632	SCO	DR NP	SF

NEW INTERCHANGEABLE PRODUCTS ADDED TO THE NOVA SCOTIA FORMULARY

NEW CATEGORIES

A MAC has been established for the following products. Benefit status is effective as of December 21, 2009 and AAC will be paid until the specified MAC is effective on January 14, 2010.

CATEGORY & PRODUCT	DIN/PIN	MFR	PRESCRIBER	STATUS Dec 21, 2009	MAC JAN 14, 2010	PHARMACARE ALLOWANCE
olanzapine ODT 5mg tab						
CO Olanzapine ODT 5mg Tab	02327562	COB	DR NP	E (SF)	1.7870	
pms-Olanzapine ODT 5mg Tab	02303191	PMS	DR NP	E (SF)	1.7870	
Zyprexa Zydys 5mg Tab	02243086	LIL	DR NP	E (SF)	1.7870	
olanzapine ODT 10mg tab						
CO Olanzapine ODT 10mg Tab	02327570	COB	DR NP	E (SF)	3.5714	
pms-Olanzapine ODT 10mg Tab	02303205	PMS	DR NP	E (SF)	3.5714	
Zyprexa Zydys 10mg Tab	02243087	LIL	DR NP	E (SF)	3.5714	
olanzapine ODT 15mg tab						
CO Olanzapine ODT 15mg Tab	02327589	COB	DR NP	E (SF)	5.3553	
pms-Olanzapine ODT 15mg Tab	02303213	PMS	DR NP	E (SF)	5.3553	
Zyprexa Zydys 15mg Tab	02243088	LIL	DR NP	E (SF)	5.3553	
olanzapine ODT 20mg tab						
CO Olanzapine ODT 20mg Tab	02327597	COB	DR NP	E (SF)	7.5977	
Zyprexa Zydys 20mg Tab	02243089	LIL	DR NP	E (SF)	7.5977	

EXISTING CATEGORIES

Due to a generic shortage, the brand product in the following categories is currently paying at AAC. With the approval of an additional generic product, the MAC will be reinstated as indicated below.

CATEGORY & PRODUCT	DIN/PIN	MFR	PRESCRIBER	STATUS Dec 21, 2009	MAC Jan 14, 2010	PHARMACARE ALLOWANCE
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lansoprazole 15mg cap

Novo-Lansoprazole 15mg DR Cap	02280515	NOP	DR NP	E (SF)	1.5000	
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lansoprazole 30mg cap

Novo-Lansoprazole 30mg DR Cap	02280523	NOP	DR NP	E (SF)	1.5000	
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PHARMACARE REIMBURSEMENT

Enclosed is a copy of the new Pharmacare Reimbursement List, *effective January 14, 2010*.

The following MAC **categories** have been removed from the Pharmacare Reimbursement List. In categories which have become single source, effective immediately, AAC will be paid for the products.

MAC CATEGORIES REMOVED FROM THE PHARMACARE REIMBURSEMENT LIST

digoxin 0.125mg tab

Apo-Digoxin 0.125mg Tab	02281228		APX	discontinued
Lanoxin 0.125mg Tab	02242322		PMS	AAC

digoxin 0.25mg tab

Apo-Digoxin 0.25mg Tab	02281201		APX	discontinued
Lanoxin 0.25mg Tab	02242323		PMS	AAC

dipyridamole 75mg tab

Apo-Dipyridamole 75 mg Tab	00895660		APX	discontinued
Persantine 75mg Tab	00452092		BOE	AAC

ketorolac 30mg/mL inj

Ketorolac 30mg/mL Inj	02239944		SDZ	AAC
Toradol 30mg/mL Inj	02162652		HLR	discontinued

labetalol 100mg tab

Apo-Labetalol 100mg Tab	02243538		APX	discontinued
Trandate 100mg Tab	02106272		SQI	AAC

labetalol 200mg tab

Apo-Labetalol 200mg Tab	02243539		APX	discontinued
Trandate 200mg Tab	02106280		SQI	AAC

ofloxacin 400mg tab (exception status)

Apo-Oflox 400mg Tab	02231532		APX	AAC
Novo-ofloxacin 400mg Tab	02243476		NOP	discontinued
Floxin 400mg Tab	01968406		JAN	discontinued

MANUFACTURER SHORTAGE/DISCONTINUATION OF LOWEST PRICED BRANDS

The following are MAC categories for which the lowest priced brand is currently unavailable. Therefore, effective immediately the products indicated below will be paid AAC. The established MAC price provided in the Pharmacare Reimbursement List (version January 14, 2010) will be reinstated as a lower priced brand becomes available.

CATEGORY	DIN	PRODUCT	MFR
amoxicillin & enzyme inhibitor 250mg/5mL susp	01916874	Clavulin-250F 250mg/5mL Susp	GSK
amoxicillin & enzyme inhibitor 400mg/5mL susp	02238830	Clavulin-400 400mg/5mL Susp	GSK
betamethasone & gentamicin oph/otic sol	00682217	Garasone Oph/Otic Sol	SCH
diltiazem 120mg CD cap	02097249	Cardizem 120mg CD Cap	BVL
diltiazem 180mg CD cap	02097257	Cardizem 180mg CD Cap	
diltiazem 240mg CD cap	02097265	Cardizem 240mg CD Cap	
gentamicin 0.3% otic sol	00512184	Garamycin 0.3% Otic Sol	SCH
hydrochlorothiazide 25mg & spironolactone 25mg tab	00180408	Aldactazide 25mg Tab	PFI
levodopa 100mg CR tab & carbidopa 25mg CR tab	02028786	Sinemet CR 100/25 Tab	BRI
levodopa 200mg CR tab carbidopa 50mg CR tab	00870935	Sinemet CR 200/50 Tab	BRI
medroxyprogesterone acetate 150mg/mL inj	00585092	Depo-Provera 150mg/mL Inj	PFI
metoprolol tartrate 100mg SR tab	00658855	Lopresor SR 100mg Tab	NVR
midodrine 5mg tab	01934406	Amatine 5mg Tab	SHI
misoprostol 200mcg tab	02244023	Apo-Misoprostol 200mcg Tab	APX
mupirocin 2% oint	01916947	Bactroban 2% Oint	GSK

CHANGE TO MAC PRICING

Due to notification of price change, the Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) for the following categories will be **effective January 4, 2010**.

betahistine	16mg tab	0.3557
betahistine	24mg tab	0.4983
hydrochlorothiazide	25 mg tab	0.1057
spironolactone	25 mg tab	0.1038
spironolactone	100 mg tab	0.2417

NEW PRESCRIBERS

The following have been added to the list of prescribers under the Nova Scotia Pharmacare Program.

Nurse Practitioners

Melanie Thibeau Prescriber # 107461
Tambrey Sanregret Prescriber # 107443

Prescribing Optometrist

Dr. Stephanie Blackmore Prescriber # 107405
Dr. Michael Nagle Prescriber # 107459

Please refer to the Nova Scotia Formulary for Pharmacare benefits which can be insured if prescribed by these groups of prescribers.

Happy Holidays

