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## Manitoba Drug Benefits and Interchangeability Formulary Amendments



Copies of the consolidated regulations for Pharmacare benefits and interchangeable drugs (including the enclosed amendments), will be available, along with a copy of this bulletin on the Internet on April 17, 2001.

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The following changes will be made to the Pharmacare benefit list effective April 17, 2001.

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**Part 1 Additions**

- Apo-Carbamazepine CR - (carbamazepine) - 200 mg, 400 mg - Sustained Release Tablets - 02242908, 02242909
- Apo-Prochlorazine - (prochlorperazine) - 5 mg, 10 mg - Tablets - 00886440, 00886432
- Apo-Terbinafine - (terbinafine HCl) - 250 mg - Tablets - 02239893
- Apo-Warfarin - (warfarin sodium) - 1 mg, 2 mg, 2.5 mg, 4 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg - Tablets - 02242924, 02242925, 02242926, 02242927, 02242928, 02242929
- Gen-Acyclovir - (acyclovir) - 200 mg - Tablets - 02242784
- Lin-Pravastatin - (pravastatin sodium) - 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg - Tablets - 02237373, 02237374, 02237375
- Marinol - (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol) - 2.5 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg - Capsules - 00611190, 00611204, 00611212
- Novo-Doxazosin - (doxazosin mesylate) - 1 mg, 2 mg, 4 mg - Tablets - 02242728, 02242729, 02242730
- One Touch Ultra Blood Glucose Test Strips - 00907000
- pms-Amiodarone - (amiodarone HCl) - 200 mg - Tablets - 02242472
- pms-Fluphenazine Decanoate - (fluphenazine decanoate) - 100mg/ml - Injection - 02241928
- pms-Loxapine - (loxapine succinate) - 2.5 mg - Tablets - 02242868
- pms-Ranitidine - (ranitidine HCl) - 150 mg, 300 mg - Tablets - 02242453, 02242454
- Precision Xtra Blood Glucose Strips - 00908437
- Viokase 16 - (amylase/lipase/protease) - 60000/16000/60000 Units - Tablets - 02241933

**Part 1 Deletions**

00789739 - Supeudol - (oxycodone HCl) - 5 mg - Tablets  
00443948 - Supeudol - (oxycodone HCl) - 10 mg - Tablets  
00221678 - Chloromycetin - (chloramphenicol) - 0.5% Ophthalmic Solution

**Part 2 Additions and Amendments**

- Avelox (moxifloxacin hydrochloride) - 400 mg - Tablets
  1. Step-down care following hospital separation in patients treated with parenteral antibiotics;
  2. Treatment of resistant gram-positive or gram-negative infections;
  3. Treatment of infections in persons allergic to alternative agents (eg. penicillins, cephalosporins and sulfonamides);
  4. Treatment of infections in patients failing or likely to fail or intolerant of penicillins, cephalosporins and/or macrolides.
  
- DDAVP - (desmopressin acetate) - 0.1 mg, 0.2 mg - Tablets, 10 mcg/Spray Nasal Solution and 100 mcg/mL Nasal Solution with Rhinyle tube.
  - For treatment of diabetes insipidus.
  - For treatment of enuresis in children refractory to alternative agents.

**Amendment from Bulletin 29 re: Estalis listing in Part 2**

**Note: The previous description of this product should have listed the amount of each ingredient released per patch in 24 hours.**

- Estalis - (norethindrone acetate/estradiol-17 $\beta$ ) - **140/50 mcg, 250/50 mcg** - Transdermal Patch
  - For patients with a history of thromboembolic disorders with increased triglycerides or with a history of cholelithiasis.
  
- Maxalt RPD - (rizatriptan benzoate) - 5 mg - Wafers
  - For treatment of acute migraine attacks in patients where standard therapy has failed to a maximum of 144 wafers or tablets per benefit year.

**Part 3**

**The following products will be considered for Pharmacare reimbursement upon an individual prescriber/patient request basis.**

- Apo-Butorphanol - (butorphanol tartrate) - 10 mg/mL - Nasal Spray
  - For migraine where other agents have failed (including all dosage forms such as nasal spray with ergotamines, triptans). Patient should not be at risk for substance abuse. It also may be warranted for patients who have a contraindication to ergotamines or triptans.
  
- Arava - (leflunomide) - 10 mg, 20 mg - Tablets
  - For patients who failed to respond to previous therapy with two Disease Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs.

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- Oxy-IR - (oxycodone HCl) - 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg - Tablets
  - For patients who have tried the combination products (Percodan, Percocet) and maximized the acetaminophen dose or have contraindications to acetaminophen.
  
- Supeudol - (oxycodone HCl) - 5 mg, 10 mg - Tablets
  - For patients who have tried the combination products (Percodan, Percocet) and maximized the acetaminophen dose or have contraindications to acetaminophen.

**Drugs reviewed but not recommended for Pharmacare reimbursement at this time:**

- Qvar - (beclomethasone dipropionate) - 50 mcg, 100 mcg - Inhalation Aerosol

**New Interchangeable Categories**

**The following new interchangeable categories and products were added:**

	<b>Price in Cents</b>
• Butorphanol Tartrate - 10 mg/mL - Nasal Spray	
02113031 - Stadol NS	SQU 2618.00
02242504 - Apo-Butorphanol	APX 1832.00
• Pravastatin Sodium - 10 mg - Tablets	
00893749 - Pravachol	SQU 166.47
02237373 - Lin-Pravastatin	LIN 116.53
• Pravastatin Sodium - 20 mg - Tablets	
00893757 - Pravachol	SQU 196.35
02237374 - Lin-Pravastatin	LIN 137.47
• Pravastatin Sodium - 40 mg - Tablets	
02222051 - Pravachol	SQU 236.50
02237375 - Lin-Pravastatin	LIN 165.55

**New Interchangeable Products**

**The following products have been added to existing interchangeable drug categories:**

	<b>Price in Cents</b>
• Acyclovir - 200 mg - Tablets 02242784 - Gen-Acyclovir	GPM 96.62
• Amiodarone HCl - 200 mg - Tablets 02242472 - pms-Amiodarone	PMS 142.69
• Carbamazepine - 200 mg - Sustained Release Tablets 02242908 - Apo-Carbamazepine CR	APX 20.75
• Carbamazepine - 400 mg - Sustained Release Tablets 02242909 - Apo-Carbamazepine CR	APX 41.51**
• Doxazosin Mesylate - 1 mg - Tablets 02242728 - Novo-Doxazosin	NOP 38.50**
• Doxazosin Mesylate - 2 mg - Tablets 02242729 - Novo-Doxazosin	NOP 46.20**
• Doxazosin Mesylate - 4 mg - Tablets 02242730 - Novo-Doxazosin	NOP 60.05**
• Etodolac - 200 mg - Capsules 02242914 - Taro-Etodolac	TAR 66.00
• Etodolac - 300 mg - Capsules 02242915 - Taro-Etodolac	TAR 66.00
• Fluphenazine Decanoate - 100 mg/mL - Injection 02241928 - pms-Fluphenazine Decanoate	PMS 3276.00
• Prochlorperazine - 5 mg - Tablets 00886440 - Apo-Prochlorazine	APX 11.60**
• Prochlorperazine - 10 mg - Tablets 00886432 - Apo-Prochlorazine	APX 14.19
• Ranitidine HCl - 150 mg - Tablets 02242453 - pms-Ranitidine	PMS 44.47

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- Ranitidine HCl - 300 mg - Tablets  
02242454 - pms-Ranitidine PMS 85.66
  
- Terbinafine HCl - 250 mg - Tablets  
02239893 - Apo-Terbinafine APX 259.27\*\*

\*\* The price change has resulted in a change to the lowest price in the category.  
( ) Notes the price of the lowest generic product in the product category.

**Product Deletions**

**The following products have been deleted (notification was provided in Bulletin 29).**

- 02041480 - Atromid-S - (clofibrate) - 500 mg - Capsules
- 02155931 - Cipro - (ciprofloxacin HCl) - 100 mg - Oral Tablets
- 00026131 - Cardioquin - (quinidine polygalacturonate) - 275 mg - Tablets
- 00417254 - Diprogen - (betamethasone dipropionate-gentamicin) Ointment
- 00555665 - Eldisine - (vindesine sulfate) - 5 mg/Vial - Powder for Solution
- 00000302 - Erythrocin - (erythromycin stearate) - 125 mg/5 ml - Liquid
- 00273023 - Erythrocin - (erythromycin stearate) - 250 mg/5 ml - Liquid
- 02133245 - Gentacidin - (gentamicin sulfate) - 3 mg/ml - Ophthalmic Solution
- 00599085 - Haldol LA - (haloperidol decanoate) 50 mg/ml - Long Acting Injection
- 02169983 - Ledercillin VK - (penicillin V potassium) - 500 mg - Tablets
- 00340758 - Ortho-Novum 1/50 - (norethindrone and mestranol) - Dialpak 28 day Tablets
- 02239825 - Proclim - (medroxyprogesterone acetate) - 2.5 mg - Tablets
- 02239826 - Proclim - (medroxyprogesterone acetate) - 5 mg - Tablets
- 02239827 - Proclim - (medroxyprogesterone acetate) - 10 mg - Tablets
- 02043548 - Reglan - (metoclopramide HCl) - 5 mg/5 ml - Oral Liquid
- 00029165 - Rubramin - (cyanocobalamin) - 1 mg/mL - Injection
- 00028347 - Sodium Sulamyd - (sulfacetamide sodium) 10% Ophthalmic Ointment
- 00028061 - Sodium Sulamyd - (sulfacetamide sodium) 30% - Ophthalmic Solution
- 00014958 - Temposil - (calcium carbimide) - 50 mg - Tablets
- 00980609 - Tes-Tape - Urine test strip
- 00364126 - Tolectin - (tolmetin sodium) - 200 mg - Tablets

**The following products have been deleted:**

- 02049082 - Novo-Cromolyn - (sodium cromoglycate) - 1% Nebulizer Solution
- 00037400 - Novotriptyn - (amitriptyline HCl) - 10 mg -Tablets

00037427 - Novotriptyn - (amitriptyline HCl) - 50 mg - Tablets  
00654523 - pms-Amitriptyline - (amitriptyline HCl) - 10 mg - Tablets  
00654507 - pms-Amitriptyline - (amitriptyline HCl) - 50 mg - Tablets

**Category Deletion**

**The following category has been deleted from an existing interchangeable category:**

- Clofibrate - 500 mg - Capsules

**Interchangeable Product Price Changes**

**The following changes in prices have occurred:**

00349917 - Modecate - (fluphenazine decanoate) - 25 mg/ml Injection - \$5.10\*\*  
02237907 - Taro-Carbamazepine CR - (carbamazepine) - 200 mg - Sustained Release Tablets - 20.76  
02237908 - Taro-Carbamazepine CR - (carbamazepine) - 400 mg - Sustained Release Tablets - 41.53  
00881635 - Voltaren Rapide - (diclofenac potassium) - 50 mg - Tablets - 68.20

\*\* The price change has resulted in a change to the lowest price in the category.  
( ) Notes the price of the lowest generic product in the product category.

**Discontinued Products**

**Notice has been received from the manufacturer that the following products have been discontinued. They will be deleted with the next Formulary amendments.**

00441295 - Ortho-Dienestrol - (dienestrol) - 0.1 mg/g - Vaginal Cream  
01918206 - Stelazine - (trifluoperazine) - 1 mg - Tablets  
01918214 - Stelazine - (trifluoperazine) - 2 mg - Tablets  
01918222 - Stelazine - (trifluoperazine) - 5 mg - Tablets  
01918230 - Stelazine - (trifluoperazine) - 10 mg - Tablets

**Manufacturer Updates**

**The following change in manufacturer designation has occurred:**

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The following new DINs are now Virco Pharmaceuticals (Canada), Inc. products previously under Glaxo Wellcome Inc.

- Lanoxin - (digoxin) - 0.25 mg, 0.125 mg, 0.0625 mg - Tablets, 0.05 mg/mL Pediatric Elixir - 02242323, 02242322, 02242321, 02242320

The following DINs are now Novartis Pharmaceuticals (NVT) products previously under Ciba Geigy/Sandoz:

- 00604453 - Restoril - (temazepam) - 15 mg - Capsules
- 00604461 - Restoril - (temazepam) - 30 mg - Capsules
- 00005614 - Ritalin - (methylphenidate hydrochloride) - 20 mg - Tablets
- 00443174 - Visken - (pindolol) - 10 mg - Tablets
- 00632724 - Voltaren - (diclofenac sodium) - 50 mg - Suppositories
- 00632732 - Voltaren - (diclofenac sodium) - 100 mg - Suppositories

The following DINs are now Astra Zeneca (AZC) products previously under Astra Pharma Inc. or Zeneca Pharma Inc.:

- 00402605 - Betaloc - (metoprolol tartrate) - 50 mg - Tablets
- 00402540 - Betaloc - (metoprolol tartrate) - 100 mg - Tablets
- 01958100 - Cardura-1 - (doxazosin mesylate) - 1 mg - Tablets
- 01958097 - Cardura-2 - (doxazosin mesylate) - 2 mg - Tablets
- 01958119 - Cardura-4 - (doxazosin mesylate) - 4 mg - Tablets
- 02048477 - Nolvadex - (tamoxifen citrate) - 10 mg - Tablets
- 02048485 - Nolvadex-D - (tamoxifen citrate) - 20 mg - Tablets
- 02057778 - Plendil - (felodipine) - 2.5 mg - Extended Release Tablets
- 00851779 - Plendil - (felodipine) - 5 mg - Extended Release Tablets
- 00851787 - Plendil - (felodipine) - 10 mg - Extended Release Tablets
- 02231923 - Rhinocort Aqua - (budesonide) - 64 mcg/ 120 Dose - Aqueous Nasal Spray
- 02103729 - Zestoretic - (lisinopril/hydrochlorothiazide) - 10 mg/12.5 mg Tablets
- 02045737 - Zestoretic - (lisinopril/hydrochlorothiazide) - 20 mg/12.5 mg Tablets
- 02045729 - Zestoretic - (lisinopril/hydrochlorothiazide) - 20 mg/25 mg - Tablets
- 02049333 - Zestril - (lisinopril) - 5 mg - Tablets
- 02049376 - Zestril - (lisinopril) - 10 mg - Tablets
- 02049384 - Zestril - (lisinopril) - 20 mg - Tablets
- Pentasa - (5-aminosalicylic acid) - 1g/100 mL, 2 g/100 mL, 4 g/100 mL - Enemas, 1 g Suppositories - 02153521, 02153548, 02153556, 02153564  
**(Name change to Quintasa)**



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- Rho-Loperamide - (loperamide HCl) - 2 mg - Tablets - 02233998 **(Name change to Rhoxal-Loperamide)**
- Rho-Nitrazepam - (nitrazepam) - 5 mg, 10 mg - Tablets - 02234003, 02234007 **(Name change to Rhoxal-Nitrazepam)**