

# Drug Coverage Decision for B.C. PharmaCare

## About PharmaCare

B.C. PharmaCare is a government-funded drug plan. It helps British Columbians with the cost of eligible prescription drugs and specific medical supplies.

## Details of Drug Reviewed

<b>Drug</b>	<b>ozenoxacin</b>
Brand Name	<b>Ozanex™</b>
Dosage Form	1% ozenoxacin cream
Manufacturer	Ferrer Internacional, S.A.
<b>Submission Type</b>	<b>New Submission</b>
Use Reviewed	Impetigo
Common Drug Review (CDR)	Yes, CDR recommended: <b>Do Not Reimburse</b> . Visit the CDR website for more details: <a href="http://www.cadth.ca/sites/default/files/cdr/complete/SR0553_Ozanex_Oct-26-18.pdf">www.cadth.ca/sites/default/files/cdr/complete/SR0553_Ozanex_Oct-26-18.pdf</a>
Provincial Review	Ozenoxacin was reviewed internally and was not reviewed by the Drug Benefit Council (DBC) because the CDR recommended not to list ozenoxacin for impetigo.
<b>Drug Coverage Decision</b>	<b>Non-Benefit</b>
Date	April 9, 2019
Reasons	<p><b>Drug coverage decision is consistent with CDR recommendation.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical efficacy was assessed in two randomized controlled trials (RCTs) that demonstrated a higher proportion of patients achieved clinical cure with ozenoxacin then placebo.</li> <li>• Overall, given the small magnitude of improvements, and lack of comparative data with topical comparators and the systemic therapies, CDEC considered the clinical benefit of treatment with ozenoxacin to be uncertain.</li> <li>• At the submitted price, ozenoxacin was not shown to be cost-effective relative to standard therapy for impetigo.</li> </ul>
Other Information	None

### The Drug Review Process in B.C.

A manufacturer submits a request to the Ministry of Health (Ministry).

An independent group called the [Drug Benefit Council \(DBC\)](#) gives advice to the Ministry. The DBC looks at:

- whether the drug is safe and effective
- advice from a national group called the [Common Drug Review \(CDR\)](#)
- what the drug costs and whether it is a good value for the people of B.C.
- ethical considerations involved with covering or not covering the drug
- input from physicians, patients, caregivers, patient groups and drug submission sponsors

The Ministry makes PharmaCare coverage decisions by taking into account:

- the existing PharmaCare policies, programs and resources
- the evidence-informed advice of the DBC
- the drugs already covered by PharmaCare that are used to treat similar medical conditions
- the overall cost of covering the drug

Visit the [The Drug Review Process in B.C. - Overview](#) and [Ministry of Health - PharmaCare](#) for more information.

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