



## Discontinued Drug

### Attapulgite (Kaopectate®) 40 mg/mL Suspension

**Issue:** After a recent drug recall affecting all stock on the market, attapulgite (Kaopectate®) 40 mg/mL oral suspension has now been discontinued in Canada.

NH does not currently have any supply on hand in any facilities.

Attapulgite is indicated for treatment of mild to moderate diarrhea.

**Implications for Practice: Low**

#### Potential Alternatives:

- loperamide (Imodium®)
- bismuth subsalicylate (Pepto-Bismol®)
- diphenoxylate/atropine (Lomotil®)

**Date: August 6, 2021**

Drug Shortage Resolution

**Drug Discontinuation**

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Best Practice

**For the information of  
physicians, nurses and  
pharmacists.**

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