

**Third Party Payors That Paid for the Heart Medication, Toprol XL® or its Generic
Could Get Money from a Class Action Settlement**

A Settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit involving the heart medication, Toprol XL® and its generic equivalent, metoprolol succinate. AstraZeneca AB, AstraZeneca LP, AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP, and Aktiebolaget Hassle (the "Defendants") will pay up to \$11 million. After payment of fees and expenses, approximately 50% of the net fund will be paid to consumers, and approximately 50% will be paid to insurers and employee welfare benefit plans.

The lawsuit claims that the Defendants violated antitrust and consumer protection laws by keeping lower cost generic versions of Toprol XL® off the market. The Defendants deny this. **No one is claiming that Toprol XL® or its generic are unsafe or ineffective.**

Who's Included? Generally, insurers and employee welfare benefit plans are included if they purchased, paid for and/or reimbursed others for Toprol XL® or its generic equivalent at any time from May 5, 2005 through September 27, 2012. Purchases made directly from the Defendants are not included under the Settlement.

What Can You Get? Payments will be based on the valid claims filed (that is, how much your company and others paid for Toprol XL® or its generic and when you paid for it). More details are available in the Plan of Allocation, which will be available at www.ToprolSettlement.com or by calling 1-877-854-3273.

How to Get a Payment? TPPs must submit an online Claim Form to get a payment. The Claim Form, and instructions on how to submit it, are available at www.ToprolSettlement.com. The deadline to submit a Claim Form is **April 1, 2013**.

Your Other Rights. If TPPs do nothing, their rights will be affected. TPPs that do not want to be legally bound by the Settlement, must exclude themselves from the Settlement by **January 18, 2013**. If a TPP does not exclude itself it will not be able to sue the Defendants for any claim relating to the lawsuit. If a TPP stays in the Settlement, it may object to the Settlement by **January 18, 2013**. The Court will hold a hearing on **March 7, 2013** to consider whether to approve the Settlement and a request for attorneys' fees up to \$3.5 million, reimbursement of costs, and incentive awards. You can appear at the hearing, but you don't have to. You can hire your own attorney, at your own expense, to appear or speak for you at the hearing.

For more information or a Claim Form: 1-877-854-3273 www.ToprolSettlement.com