



# SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Benzoyl Peroxide/Antibiotic Combinations PDL Edit		
First Implementation Date:	July 1, 2010		
Proposed Date:	April 18, 2023		
Prepared For:	MO HealthNet		
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Criteria Status:	⊠Existing Criteria □Revision of Existing Criteria □New Criteria		

### **Executive Summary**

Purpose: The MO HealthNet Pharmacy Program will implement a state-specific preferred drug list.

Why Issue Selected:

Acne vulgaris, commonly called acne, is a skin disease caused by changes in the pilosebaceous units. Severe acne is inflammatory in nature but can also manifest in non-inflammatory forms. Acne lesions are commonly referred to as pimples, spots, or zits. This self-limiting disorder affects primarily teenagers and young adults. In adolescence, sebaceous glands increase sebum release after puberty. Small cysts called comedones form in hair follicles as a result of blockage of the pore causing retention of sebum and keratinous material. Bacterial activity, most often due to Propionibacterium acnes, within the comedones releases free fatty acids from sebum, causing inflammation within the cyst. Elimination of the comedones, generally achieved by decreasing sebaceous gland activity, bacterial population, and inflammation, is the goal of treatment.

Total program savings for the PDL classes will be regularly reviewed.

#### Program-Specific Information:

С	Preferred Agents	Non-Preferred Agents			
1:	Clindamycin/Benzoyl Peroxide	Acanya <sup>®</sup>			
	1.2%/5% (gen Duac®)	Benzamycin®			
		Clindamycin/Benzoyl Peroxide			
	Y The second sec	1.2%/2.5% (gen Acanya®)			
		Clindamycin/Benzoyl Peroxide 1%/5% (gen BenzaClin®)			
		Erythromycin/Benzoyl Peroxide (gen			
		Benzamycin®)			
		Neuac <sup>®</sup>			
		Onexton®			

Type of Criteria:	<ul><li>☑ Increased risk of ADE</li><li>☐ Appropriate Indications</li></ul>	<ul><li>☑ Preferred Drug List</li><li>☐ Clinical Edit</li></ul>
Data Sources:	☐ Only Administrative Databases	

# **Setting & Population**

- Drug class for review: Benzoyl Peroxide/Antibiotic Combinations
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants

## **Approval Criteria**

- Failure to achieve desired therapeutic outcomes with trial on 1 preferred agent
  - Documented trial period of preferred agents
  - Documented ADE/ADR to preferred agents

#### **Denial Criteria**

- Lack of adequate trial on required preferred agents
- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met

Required Documenta	ation		
Laboratory Results: MedWatch Form:		Progress Notes: Other:	

## **Disposition of Edit**

Denial: Exception Code "0160" (Preferred Drug List)

Rule Type: PDL

## **Default Approval Period**

1 year

#### References

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