Market Applicability						
Market	GA	KY	MD	NJ	NY	WA
Applicable	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х

Adapalene

Override(s)	Approval Duration		
Prior Authorization	1 year		

Medications	Comments	Quantity Limit
Adapalene	N/A	May be subject to quantity
		limit
MSB Differin	Use MSB criteria	
Plixda (adapalene) Swabs	N/A	

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for adapalene agents may be approved for the following:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of acne; AND
- II. Individual has had a prior trial (medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial) and inadequate response or intolerance to adapalene OTC and one preferred topical tretinoin agent*; AND
 - *Preferred topical tretinoin agents: tretinoin gel 0.01%, 0.025%; tretinoin gel micro
 - 0.1%; tretinoin cream 0.025%, 0.05%, 0.1%.
 - *All tretinoin pump formulations are non-preferred.
- III. Documentation is provided for the clinical necessity of a non-preferred agent and the same medical reason and clinical benefit are not expected with the preferred agent.

Key References:

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