

Providerupdate

Hot Tip: Topical corticosteroids

Your Wellpoint patients may experience a pharmacy claim rejection when prescribed nonpreferred products. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible. Utilization Management edits may apply to select preferred products. Coverage should be verified by reviewing the *Preferred Drug List (PDL)* on the Wellpoint provider website. The *PDL* is subject to change quarterly.

Preferred topical corticosteroids	Preferred topical corticosteroids
Low potency	Medium potency
Cream:	Cream:
Hydrocortisone 0.5% Cream	Betamethasone Valerate 0.1% Cream
Hydrocortisone 1% Cream	Triamcinolone 0.025% Cream
Hydrocortisone 2.5% Cream	Triamcinolone 0.1% Cream
Hydrocortisone-Aloe 1% Cream	Triderm 0.1% Cream
	Mometasone 0.1% Cream
Ointment:	Fluticasone 0.025% Cream
Hydrocortisone 0.5% Ointment	
Hydrocortisone 1% Ointment	Ointment:
Hydrocortisone 2.5% Ointment	Triamcinolone 0.025% Ointment
	Triamcinolone 0.1% Ointment
Solution; non-oral:	Trianex 0.05% Ointment
Scalpicin 1% Anti-Itch Solution	Mometasone 0.1% Ointment
Scalp Relief 1% Solution	Fluticasone 0.025% Ointment
Texacort 2.5% Solution	Prednicarbate 0.1% Ointment
	Solution; non-oral:
	Mometasone 0.1% Solution
Preferred topical corticosteroids	Preferred topical corticosteroids
High potency	Very high potency
Cream:	Cream:
Betamethasone Dipropionate Augmented	Clobetasol 0.05% Cream
0.05% Cream	Clobetasol Emollient 0.05% Cream
Diflorasone 0.05% Cream	Halobetasol 0.05% Cream
Fluocinonide-E 0.05% Cream	
Triamcinolone 0.5% Cream	Ointment:
	Clobetasol 0.05% Ointment
Ointment:	Halobetasol 0.05% Ointment
Amcinonide 0.1% Ointment	

Betamethasone Valerate 0.1% Ointment	Gel:
Triamcinolone 0.5% Ointment	Clobetasol 0.05% Gel
Lotion:	Solution; non-oral:
Lotion: Amcinonide 0.1% Lotion	Solution; non-oral: Clobetasol 0.05% Solution

If you have questions regarding this *Hot Tip*, please call Provider Services at **833-707-0868**, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.

PDL: https://providers.wellpoint.com/MD