



SoonerCare Fax Blast

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SUBJECT: Otic Antibiotic Step Therapy

Step Therapy Requirements take effect January 19, 2010.

Tier-2 Authorization Criteria

1. Member must have adequate 14-day trial of at least two Tier 1 medications, or
2. Approval may be granted if there is a unique FDA approved indication not covered by Tier 1 products or infection by organism not known to be covered by any of the Tier 1 agents.
3. A ciprofloxacin combination product may be approved when a steroid containing product is required for severe otitis externa and the tympanic membrane is not intact.

Auralgan Authorization Criteria

1. Trial of an available generic product containing benzocaine/antipyrine/glycerin, and two trials of oral pain relievers for duration of 360 days.

Acetasol HC, Vosol HC Authorization Criteria

1. Diagnosis of acute otitis externa.
2. Recent (within 6 months) trials with all other commonly used topical otic anti-infectives that have failed to resolve infection.
3. Allergy to all available products and failure of acetic acid alone.

| Otic Antibiotics | | |
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| Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Special PA |
| Ofloxacin (Floxin Otic) | Ofloxacin (Floxin Otic) Droperette | Acetic Acid, Antipyrine, Benzocaine, Glycerin (Auralgan) |
| Acetic acid (Vosol, Acetasol) | Ciprofloxacin, Dex or HC (Ciprodex, Cipro HC, Cetraxal Drop.) | Acetic Acid, HC (Acetasol HC, Vosol HC) |
| Neomycin, Polymixin B, HC (Cortisporin, Cortomycin, Pediotic) | Neomycin, Polymixin B, HC, thonzonium (Cortisporin TC) | |
| Chloroxylenol/Pramoxine (Pramotic) | Neomycin, Colistin, HC (Coly-Mycin, and Coly Mycin-ES) | |
| | Chloroxylenol/Pramoxine/Zinc (Zinotic, Zinotic ES, Chlorpram Z) | |
| | Chloroxylenol, benzocaine, and HC (Trixoin) | |