

## ADAPALENE PRODUCTS UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT CRITERIA

**DRUG CLASS:**                      **RETINOID: Adapalene**

**Generic (Brand) Names:**

- Adapalene cream 0.1%, gel 0.1, 0.3%; lotion 0.1% (e.g., Differin<sup>®</sup>)
- Adapalene 0.1%/benzoyl peroxide 2.5% gel (e.g., Epiduo<sup>®</sup>)

**FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS:** Treatment of acne vulgaris.  
Safety and effectiveness in children under the age of 12 years not established.

**COVERAGE AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA for adapalene products:**

- All patients requesting **brand** adapalene and adapalene combination products must have tried and failed or not tolerated generic adapalene before coverage.
- Adapalene products are covered for the treatment of acne vulgaris

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