



AETNA BETTER HEALTH®
Coverage Policy/Guideline

Name: Calcipotriene

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Last Review Date:

Applies to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Illinois	<input type="checkbox"/> Florida	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Florida Kids
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Jersey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maryland	<input type="checkbox"/> Michigan
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania Kids	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia	

Intent:

The intent of this policy/guideline is to provide information to the prescribing practitioner outlining the coverage criteria for calcipotriene under the patient's prescription drug benefit.

Description:

Calcitrene (calcipotriene) ointment, 0.005% is indicated for the treatment of plaque psoriasis in adults. The safety and effectiveness of topical calcipotriene in dermatoses other than psoriasis have not been established.

Applicable Drug List:

calcipotriene

Policy/Guideline:

The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization when the following criteria are met:

- The requested drug is being prescribed for the treatment of psoriasis
- AND**
- The patient has experienced an inadequate treatment response, intolerance, or the patient has a contraindication to a topical steroid

Approval Duration and Quantity Restrictions:

Approval: 12 months

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