# STEP THERAPY POLICY

**POLICY:** Topical Antifungals for Seborrheic Dermatitis Step Therapy Policy

- Ciclopirox shampoo (generic)
- Ciclopirox gel (generic)
- Extina® (ketoconazole foam Mylan)
- Ketodan<sup>®</sup> (ketoconazole foam Medimetriks)
- Ketodan Kit® (ketoconazole foam and salicyclic acid cleanser Medimetriks)
- Ketoconazole foam (generic)

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### **OVERVIEW**

These topical antifungal agents are indicated for the treatment of **seborrheic dermatitis** caused by *Malassezia* yeast. <sup>1,2,3</sup>

Ciclopirox shampoo/gel and ketoconazole shampoo/foam are indicated for the treatment of scalp
and non-scalp seborrheic dermatitis. All ciclopirox products are indicated in patients ≥ 16 years
of age while all ketoconazole products are indicated in patients > 12 years of age.

#### **GUIDELINES**

The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) 2015 and Clinical, Cosmetic, and Investigational Dermatology (CCID) 2022 provide recommendations on management of seborrheic dermatitis (SD). AAFP note ciclopirox shampoo or ketoconazole shampoo may be used for scalp SD and ciclopirox gel or ketoconazole foam may be used for non-scalp SD. CCID non-preferentially recommend ciclopirox or ketoconazole for scalp and non-scalp SD; formulation is guided by patient preference.<sup>4,5</sup>

#### POLICY STATEMENT

This program has been developed to encourage the use of a Step 1 Product prior to the use of a Step 2 Product. If the Step Therapy rule is not met for a Step 2 Product at the point of service, coverage will be determined by the Step Therapy criteria below. All approvals are provided for 1 year in duration.

**<u>Automation</u>**: A patient with a of one Step 1 Product within the 130-day look-back period is excluded from Step Therapy.

- **Step 1:** generic ketoconazole 2% shampoo, generic ciclopirox 1% shampoo, generic ciclopirox 0.77% gel
- **Step 2:** Ketodan, Ketodan Kit, Generic ketoconazole 2% foam, Brand Extina Foam

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## **CRITERIA**

- 1. If the patient has tried one Step 1 Product, approve a Step 2 Product.
- 2. If the patient has tried a combination product containing topical ciclopirox, approve a Step 2 product.
- **3.** No other exceptions are recommended.

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