



Prior Authorization Approval Criteria

Benzaclin (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide topical gel)

Generic name:	Clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide topical gel
Brand name:	Benzaclin
Medication class:	Topical anti-acne agent
FDA-approved uses:	Topical treatment of acne vulgaris
Usual dose:	Applied twice daily, morning and evening
Duration of therapy:	Indefinite

Criteria for use (*bullet points below are all inclusive unless otherwise noted*):

- Clinically diagnosed acne vulgaris
- Failed topical clindamycin alone.
- Failed topical benzoyl peroxide alone.
- Failed/intolerant treatment with benzamycin.
- Intolerance to using clindamycin and benzoyl peroxide simultaneously.

OR

- Inability to use two separate medications.

Contraindications:

- The patient has a history of regional enteritis, ulcerative colitis, or antibiotic-associated colitis (contraindicated by the manufacturer).

Not approved if:

- The patient has any contraindications to the use of Benzaclin.
- The patient has not tried clindamycin and benzoyl peroxide as separate products.
- Patient was non-compliant using clindamycin and benzoyl peroxide as separate products simultaneously.
- Product is being used for convenience.

FCHP Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee approval: _____

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