



## DRUG QUANTITY MANAGEMENT POLICY – PER DAYS

**POLICY:** Dermatology – Vtama Drug Quantity Management Policy – Per Days

- Vtama® (tapinarof 1% cream – Dermavant)

**REVIEW DATE:** 06/19/2024

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### **CIGNA NATIONAL FORMULARY COVERAGE:**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Vtama, an aryl hydrocarbon receptor agonist, is indicated for the topical treatment of **plaque psoriasis** in adults.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Dosing**

Apply a thin layer of Vtama to the affected area(s) once daily (QD).<sup>1</sup> The pivotal studies enrolled patients with plaque psoriasis, with a body surface area involvement of 3% to 20%.

#### **Availability**

Vtama is available as a 1% cream, supplied in 60 g tubes.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Application Information**

For topical product application, a standard measure, the finger-tip unit (FTU), is often used.<sup>2,3</sup> One FTU is the amount of product that is squeezed out of a standard tube along an adult's fingertip. One FTU is equivalent to approximately 0.5 g and provides enough product to treat an area of skin that is twice the size of one adult hand, or approximately 2% of an adult's total body surface area (BSA). Therefore,

it is assumed that 2 g of a topical agent would provide enough product for one application to approximately 8% of the patient’s BSA.

Based on the FTU method, the quantity limits of 60 g per 30 days are estimated to provide enough Vtama to cover approximately 8% of the patient’s BSA when applying QD for 1 month (30 days).

**POLICY STATEMENT**

This Drug Quantity Management program has been developed to promote the safe, effective, and economic use of Vtama. If the Drug Quantity Management rule is not met for the requested medication at the point of service, coverage will be determined by the Criteria below. All approvals are provided for 1 year in duration.

**Drug Quantity Limits**

Product	Strength and Form	Retail Maximum Quantity per 30 Days	Home Delivery Maximum Quantity per 90 days
Vtama® (tapinarof 1% cream)	60 gram tube	60 grams (1 tube)	180 grams (3 tubes)

**Dermatology – Vtama Drug Quantity Management Policy – Per Days product(s) is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following criteria is(are) met. Any other exception is considered not medically necessary.**

**CRITERIA**

1. If a patient needs to treat greater than 8% of their body surface area, approve the requested quantity, not to exceed 180 grams (3 tubes) per 30 days at retail and 540 grams (9 tubes) per 90 days at home delivery.

**REFERENCES**

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**HISTORY**

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
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