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Empire BlueCross BlueShield HealthPlus (Empire) Hot Tip: Topical Corticosteroid

Your Empire patients on nonpreferred products will experience a pharmacy claim rejection unless you obtain prior authorization. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, please consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible.

Preferred topical corticosteroids <i>Low potency</i>	Preferred topical corticosteroids <i>Medium potency</i>
<p><u>Cream:</u> Hydrocortisone 0.5% Cream Hydrocortisone 1% Cream Hydrocortisone 2.5% Cream Hydrocortisone-Aloe 1% Cream</p> <p><u>Ointment:</u> Hydrocortisone 0.5% Ointment Hydrocortisone 1% Ointment Hydrocortisone 2.5% Ointment</p> <p><u>Solution; non-oral:</u> Scalpicin 1% Anti-Itch Solution Scalp Relief 1% Solution Texacort 2.5% Solution</p>	<p><u>Cream:</u> Betamethasone Valerate 0.1% Cream Triamcinolone 0.025% Cream Triamcinolone 0.1% Cream Triderm 0.1% Cream Mometasone 0.1% Cream Fluticasone 0.025% Cream</p> <p><u>Ointment:</u> Triamcinolone 0.025% Ointment Triamcinolone 0.1% Ointment Trianex 0.05% Ointment Mometasone 0.1% Ointment Fluticasone 0.025% Ointment Prednicarbate 0.1% Ointment</p> <p><u>Solution; non-oral:</u> Mometasone 0.1% Solution</p>
Preferred topical corticosteroids <i>High potency</i>	Preferred topical corticosteroids <i>Very high potency</i>
<p><u>Cream:</u> Betamethasone Dipropionate Augmented 0.05% Cream Diflorasone 0.05% Cream Fluocinonide-E 0.05% Cream Triamcinolone 0.5% Cream</p> <p><u>Ointment:</u> Amcinonide 0.1% Ointment Betamethasone Valerate 0.1% Ointment Triamcinolone 0.5% Ointment</p> <p><u>Lotion:</u> Amcinonide 0.1% Lotion Betamethasone Dipropionate 0.05% Lotion</p>	<p><u>Cream:</u> Clobetasol 0.05% Cream Clobetasol Emollient 0.05% Cream Halobetasol 0.05% Cream</p> <p><u>Ointment:</u> Clobetasol 0.05% Ointment Halobetasol 0.05% Ointment</p> <p><u>Gel:</u> Clobetasol 0.05% Gel</p> <p><u>Solution; non-oral:</u> Clobetasol 0.05% Solution Cormax 0.05% Solution</p>

If you have questions regarding this *Hot Tip*, please call Provider Services at **1-800-450-8753**.

Preferred Drug List: <https://medproviders.empireblue.com/ny/pages/formularies.aspx>

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