

**Mupirocin Cream 2%  
 Bactroban Nasal 2%  
 Effective 06/19/2019**

<b>Plan</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth UPPL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange	<b>Program Type</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
<b>Benefit</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit		
<b>Specialty Limitations</b>	N/A		
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<b>Exceptions</b>	N/A		

**Overview**

N/A

**Coverage Guidelines**

Authorization may be granted if the following drug specific criteria are met:

Mupirocin 2% cream

1. The Member has a diagnosis of impetigo **AND**
2. The Member has infected skin lesions due to susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus aureus* or *Streptococcus pyogenes* species **AND**
3. Patient experienced an inadequate response or intolerance to generic mupirocin ointment\* for the current indication.

Bactroban (mupirocin) Nasal 2% Ointment<sup>†</sup>

1. The Member has a diagnosis is eradication of nasal colonization with *methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) **AND**
2. The Member experienced an inadequate response or intolerance to generic mupirocin ointment\* for the current indication.

**\*Pharmacist's Notes:** mupirocin ointment is available without a prior authorization; however, mupirocin 2% cream and Bactroban Nasal ointment require a prior authorization.

<sup>†</sup>Although not FDA-approved for intranasal use, generic mupirocin ointment should be tried prior to the Bactroban nasal product. The mupirocin ointment contains PEG which can potentially cause a drying effect or stinging/irritation; the intranasal formulation is a non-PEG (paraffin-based) product.

**Limitations**

1. Approvals will be granted for a one-time fill within 7 days of authorization

**References**

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3. Bactroban Nasal (mupirocin calcium) ointment [prescribing information]. Research Triangle Park, NC: GlaxoSmithKline; March 2017.
4. American Academy of Pediatrics. Antimicrobial agents and related therapy. In: Red Book: 2018 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases, 31st ed, Kimberlin DW, Brady MT, Jackson MA, Long SS (Eds), American Academy of Pediatrics, Itasca, IL 2018. p.903

#### **Review History**

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06/27/11 – Updated

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04/15/13 – Updated (Bactroban cream is now generic)

06/24/13 – Reviewed

06/23/14 – Reviewed

04/25/16 – Reviewed

06/27/16 – Reviewed

04/24/17 – Reviewed

06/26/17 – Reviewed

02/26/18 – Reviewed

06/25/18 – Reviewed

06/19/19 – Reviewed

09/22/2021 – Reviewed Sept P&T; no clinical updates; references updated

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