

**Ycanth (cantharidin)**  
**Effective 06/01/25**

Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MassHealth UPPL <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange	Program Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization
Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit		<input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
Specialty Limitations	N/A		
Contact Information	Medical and Specialty Medications		
	All Plans	Phone: 877-519-1908	Fax: 855-540-3693
Contact Information	Non-Specialty Medications		
	All Plans	Phone: 800-711-4555	Fax: 844-403-1029
Exceptions	N/A		

### Overview

Ycanth (cantharidin) is the first FDA-approved treatment for molluscum contagiosum for adults and children 2 years of age and older.

### Coverage Guidelines

Authorization may be granted for members when all the following criteria are met:

1. Diagnosis of molluscum contagiosum and **ONE** of the following:
  - a. itching, pain, or bleeding associated with lesions
  - b. member is immunocompromised
  - c. concomitant bacterial infection
  - d. risk of spread to contacts (i.e., siblings, daycare)
2. Member is  $\geq 2$  years of age
3. Inadequate response or adverse reaction to **ONE** or contraindication to **ALL** of the following:
  - a. podofilox
  - b. cryotherapy
  - c. curettage
4. Requested dose is  $\leq 8$  applicators/12 weeks

### Continuation of Therapy

Reauthorization when prescriber provides documentation of medical necessity for use beyond 12 weeks.

### Limitations

1. Initial approvals and reauthorizations will be granted for up to 12 weeks.

### References

1. Ycanth [package insert]. West Chester (PA): Verrica Pharmaceuticals Inc.; 2024 Nov.

2. FDA approves first treatment for molluscum contagiosum [press release on the internet]. FDA; 2023 Jul 24 [cited 2023 Nov 15]. Available from: <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/news-events-human-drugs/fda-approves-first-treatment-molluscum-contagiosum>.
3. Isaacs SN. Molluscum contagiosum. In: Basow DS (Ed). UpToDate [database on the internet]. Waltham (MA): UpToDate; 2023 [cited 2023 Nov 15]. Available from: <http://www.utdol.com/utd/index.do>.

### **Review History**

2/14/24 – Created for P&T. Adopted MH criteria. Ycanth will require PA on MB. Effective 3/4/24

05/15/25 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Updated formatting and references. Removed prescriber specialty requirement, matching MH. Effective 6/1/25

