### PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

# BRAND NAME (generic)

## REGRANEX (all topical) (becaplermin)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria Type: Initial Prior Authorization

#### **Policy**

#### FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Regranex gel is indicated for the treatment of lower extremity diabetic neuropathic ulcers that extend into the subcutaneous tissue or beyond and have an adequate blood supply, when used as an adjunct to, and not a substitute for, good ulcer care practices including initial sharp debridement, pressure relief and infection control.

The efficacy of Regranex gel has not been established for the treatment of pressure ulcers and venous stasis ulcers and has not been evaluated for the treatment of diabetic neuropathic ulcers that do not extend through the dermis into subcutaneous tissue (Stage I or II, IAET staging classification) or ischemic diabetic ulcers.

The effects of becaplermin on exposed joints, tendons, ligaments, and bone have not been established in humans.

Regranex Gel is a non-sterile, low bioburden preserved product. Therefore, it should not be used in wounds that close by primary intention.

#### **COVERAGE CRITERIA**

The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization when the following criteria are met:

- The requested drug is being prescribed as treatment of lower extremity diabetic neuropathic ulcers that extend into the subcutaneous tissue or beyond and have an adequate blood supply
- The patient will have good ulcer care practices including initial sharp debridement, pressure relief, and infection control performed

#### **REFERENCES**

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