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Applicable	X	X	NA	NA	X	X	X	X	X	X	NA	NA	X

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H.P. Acthar Gel (repository corticotropin injection)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	3 months

Medications
H.P. Acthar Gel (repository corticotropin injection)

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for H.P. Acthar Gel (repository corticotropin injection) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual is an infant or child less than 2 years of age and is using as monotherapy for the treatment of infantile spasms (West syndrome).

State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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