

Market Applicability/Effective Date															
Market	FL & FHK	FL MMA	FL LTC	GA	IND	KS	KY	LA	MD	NJ	NV	NY	TN	TX	WA
Applicable	X	NA	NA	X	X	NA	X	X	X	X	X	X	NA	NA	X

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H.P. Acthar Gel (corticotropin)

CG-DRUG-24

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	3 months

Medications	Quantity Limit
H.P. Acthar Gel (corticotropin)	N/A

APPROVAL CRITERIA

For approval of Acthar HP Gel (repository corticotropin injection), an individual must meet the following criteria:

- I. Medication is used as monotherapy for the treatment of infantile spasms (West syndrome) in infants and children less than 2 years of age;

-OR-

- II. Acthar HP Gel (repository corticotropin injection) may be approved when ALL of the following criteria are met:
 - A. The individual is an adult with a corticosteroid-responsive condition, including but not limited to acute exacerbations of multiple sclerosis; **AND**
 - B. The individual has no contraindications to or is not limited by contraindication to or intolerance of glucocorticoid effects; **AND**
 - C. There is clear documentation of why all other well-established routes for corticosteroid therapy (for example, oral prednisone and intravenous methylprednisolone) cannot be used.

May NOT be approved:

Acthar HP Gel (repository corticotropin injection) may NOT be approved when the above criteria are not met and for all other indications.

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State Specific Mandates		
N/A	N/A	N/A

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