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## Non-Preferred Pediculicides for Head Lice

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications	Comments
OTC pediculicides (permethrin, pyrethrins) Rx permethrin cream spinosad	Preferred
malathion Sklice (ivermectin) Ulesfia (benzyl alcohol)	Non-Preferred

### APPROVAL CRITERIA

- I. Individual has had a trial (medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial) of and inadequate response or intolerance to one preferred pediculicide; **OR**
  - II. The preferred agent is not acceptable due to the following concomitant clinical conditions:
    - A. Known or documented resistance to the preferred agents; **OR**
    - B. The preferred agent(s) is not approved for the individual's age and the non-preferred agent is:
      1. 2 months of age and older – permethrin;
      2. 6 months of age and older – benzyl alcohol lotion (Ulesfia), ivermectin lotion (Sklice), spinosad topical suspension (Natroba);
      3. 2 years of age and older – pyrethrins;
      4. 6 years of age and older – malathion;
- OR**
- C. The individual has allergy to the ingredients in the preferred agent that are not in the non-preferred agent, such as but not limited to:
    1. The preferred agent contains pyrethrins and the individual has a chrysanthemum allergy.

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

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