POLICY NAME Scenesse (afamelanotide) POLICY # 2828P

Criteria

Coverage Criteria for Phototoxic Reactions from Erythropoietic Protoporphyria (EPP)	
	Documented diagnosis of EPP defined by the following: • Gene sequencing confirms an FECH mutation • Substantially elevated erythrocyte total protoporphyrin (between 300 – 5,000 mcg/dL)
	Documentation that the patient has non-blistering photosensitivity (e.g., pain, erythema, swelling) following sunlight exposure
	Provider documentation indicating that the member is expected to have regular sun exposure in the next
months with a risk of skin reactions	
	Age 18 years or older
	Prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist (skin doctor) or porphyria specialist
	Documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to high potency oral beta-carotene and pain medication (e.g., NSAIDs)
	Documented concurrent use of sunscreen, sun avoidance, and/or protective clothing
Exclusion Criteria – Any of the following prevents coverage	
	Patient has a current diagnosis of Bowen's disease, basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, or other malignant or premalignant skin conditions
	History of melanoma or dysplastic nevus syndrome
	Significant EPP-associated liver disease