

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Cystadrops (cysteamine ophthalmic soln 0.37%) Policy #: 3081P

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to establish the coverage of Cystadrops.

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Cystadrops under the Pharmacy benefit when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Diagnosis of ocular cystinosis
- 1.2 Presence of corneal cysteine accumulation
- 1.3 Ordered by or in consultation with an ophthalmologist (doctor of eye diseases)

2. Approval Period

- 2.1 Initial: 12 months
- 2.2 Subsequent Approvals: 12 months with documentation of improved or stable disease

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