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PROVIDER BULLETIN

TOPIC: Compound Medications & Creams

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Review of the literature found there was no clinical evidence that compound medications or compound creams are more effective than the use of the individual drugs separately.

Compound Creams:

The Division will continue to approve the use of diclofenac and lidocaine topically but as separate prescriptions. All bills for the compounding of these medications will be denied.

Compound Medications:

The approval of compound medications will be limited to unique patient-specific requirements; e.g. allergy or inability to swallow. The provider will be required to document in the medical notes the indication for the compounded medication, in addition to proof that conventional therapy has been tried and failed.

In the absence of specific indications, compound medications will be denied.

