IEHP UM Subcommittee Approved Authorization Guidelines

Iontophoresis for Hyperhidrosis

Policy:
IEHP considers treatment of intractable disabling primary hyperhidrosis with iontophoresis (electrophoresis, Drionic device) medically necessary when all of the following criteria are met:

1. Topical aluminum chloride or other extra-strength antiperspirants are ineffective or result in severe rash; and
2. Member is unresponsive or unable to tolerate pharmacotherapy prescribed for excessive sweating (e.g., Drysol, anti-cholinergics, beta-blockers, benzodiazepines) if sweating is episodic; and
3. Significant disruption of professional and/or social life has occurred because of excessive sweating.

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Bibliography:


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