

Division: Pharmacy Policy	Subject: Prior Authorization Criteria
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Aklief® (trifarotene)

LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: 1 year

REVIEW CRITERIA:

- Patient must be ≥ 9 years of age; **AND**
- Patient must have a diagnosis of acne vulgaris; **AND**
- Patient had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to a trial of the following preferred therapeutic alternatives (clinical documentation demonstrating failure to previous therapies must be provided):
 - Topical antibiotic (e.g., clindamycin, clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide, erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide); **AND**
 - adapalene-benzoyl peroxide; **AND**
 - Retin-A cream.

CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:

- Patient met initial review criteria; **AND**
- Documentation of improved clinical response; **AND**
- Patient has not experienced any treatment-restricting adverse effects; **AND**
- Dosing is appropriate as per labeling or is supported by compendia.

DOSING AND ADMINISTRATION:

- Refer to product labeling at <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/daf/>
- Available as 0.005% cream.