



## **Commercial/Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria**

*Effective: September 2006*

**Prior Authorization:** Minocycline extended release

**Products Affected:** minocycline extended release tablet (55 MG, 65 MG, 80 MG, 105 MG, 115 MG); Solodyn extended release tablet (55 MG, 65 MG, 80 MG, 105 MG, 115 MG).

\*Please note this policy applies to Solodyn brand and generic products only

**Medication Description:** Minocycline hydrochloride is a semisynthetic derivative of tetracycline. It is primarily bacteriostatic and acts by inhibiting protein synthesis. It has a similar antimicrobial spectrum of activity against a wide range of gram-positive and gram-negative organisms as other tetracyclines.

**Covered Uses:** Inflammatory lesions of non-nodular moderate to severe acne vulgaris in patients 12 years of age and older.

**Exclusion Criteria:**

1. Hypersensitivity to any tetracycline
2. Treatment of non-inflammatory acne lesions

**Required Medical Information:**

1. Diagnosis
2. Previous therapies tried/failed

**Age Restrictions:** 12 years of age and older

**Prescriber Restrictions:** Prescribed by, or in consultation with, a dermatologist.

**Coverage Duration:** 12 weeks

**Other Criteria:**

1. The patient has a diagnosis of documented inflammatory lesions of non-nodular moderate to severe acne vulgaris;  
AND
2. The patient has a documented intolerance to, or contraindication, or treatment failure with generic immediate release minocycline.

**References:**

1. Product Information: SOLODYN(R) oral extended release tablets, minocycline HCl oral extended release tablets. Medicis, The Dermatology Company (per FDA), Scottsdale, AZ, 2013.

**Policy Revision history**

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Rev #	Type of Change	Summary of Change	Sections Affected	Date
1	Policy Update	CCI adopted EH template and criteria for Solodyn brand and generic products	All	10/21/2019

