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Vitiligo and Dyschromias Management

Adjudication Rule

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Abstract

For Members

Dyschromia refers to an irregular or patchy discoloration of the skin. Vitiligo is a skin condition in which there is loss of brown colour (pigment) from areas of skin, resulting in irregular white patches that feel like normal skin.

Treatment of Dyschromias is not covered for any health insurance plan administered by Daman.

Treatment of Vitiligo is not covered for any health insurance plan administered by Daman, except for those plans with the specific benefit, subject to policy terms and conditions.

For Medical Professionals

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Treatment of Vitiligo is not covered for any health insurance plan administered by Daman, except for those plans with the specific benefit, subject to policy terms and conditions.

Scope

This guideline outlines Daman's coverage of Vitiligo and Dyschromias for all health insurance plans administered by Daman.

Adjudication Policy

Eligibility / Coverage Criteria

Daman does not cover any treatment directed towards Dyschromias for all health insurance plans administered by Daman.

Treatment of Vitiligo is covered only for those plans with the specific benefit, subject to policy terms and conditions.

Requirements for Coverage

ICD and CPT codes must be coded to the highest level of specificity.

Non-Coverage

Treatment of vitiligo will not be covered for any health insurance plan administered by Daman except UAE Plus (SEHA) and Thiqa.

Daman does not cover any treatment directed towards dyschromias.

Payment and Coding Rules

Please apply HAAD payment rules and regulations and relevant coding manuals for ICD, CPT, etc.

Adjudication Examples

Example 1

Question: A 26 years old female patient holding an International plan was diagnosed with vitiligo and has been advised PUVA by her treating dermatologist.

Answer: The treatment will not be covered for this patient.

Example 2

Question: A 35 year old male patient holding UAE Plus (SEHA) plan, diagnosed with vitiligo, has been advised to undergo PUVA.

Answer: The treatment will be covered for this gentleman.

Denial codes

Code	Code description
NCOV-001	Diagnosis(es) is (are) not covered
MNEC-003	Service is not clinically indicated based on good clinical practice
AUTH-001	Prior approval is required and was not obtained
AUTH-005	Claim information is inconsistent with pre-certified/authorized services
NCOV-003	Service(s) is (are) not covered

Appendices

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B. Revision History

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