Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont and The Vermont Health Plan
Compound Product
Prior Approval Guidelines
*FOR compounds costing $300.00 or more*

**DESCRIPTION:** Compounded preparations are used for a variety of treatments from dermatologic to endocrine disorders

**INDICATION(S):** Wide and varied

**REASONS FOR Step Therapy:**
- ☒ Cost
- ☒ Potential for misuse
- ☐ Toxicity

**CRITERIA for APPROVAL:**
1) The chemical that is proposed to be compounded has an FDA indication (in another commercially available formulation) for the diagnosis for which the compound is to be used.
   **AND**
2) The patient has tried and failed use of this other formulation.
   **OR**
3) The patient has a contraindication to using the commercially available formulation.
   **AND**
4) There is a clinical study or other medical literature to support the use of this compound for this diagnosis

**REASONS for DENIAL of BENEFIT:**
1. Patient does not meet above criteria.

**BENEFIT APPROVAL:** Approval for two years.