

## Harvard Pilgrim Health Care – Pharmacy Prior Authorization Guideline

<b>Guideline Name</b>	Bepreve (bepotastine besilate)
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### 1. Criteria

<b>Product Name: Bepreve</b>	
Approval Length	12 Month(s)
Therapy Stage	Initial Authorization
Guideline Type	Prior Authorization, Non-formulary
<p><b>Approval Criteria</b></p> <p>1 - Trial and failure of at least TWO alternative medications for the treatment of allergic conjunctivitis symptoms, such as an ophthalmic mast cell stabilizer (i.e., cromolyn, lodoxamide, nedocromil) or an ophthalmic antihistamine (i.e., olopatadine, epinastine, azelastine)</p>	

<b>Product Name: Bepreve</b>	
Approval Length	12 Month(s)
Therapy Stage	Reauthorization
Guideline Type	Prior Authorization, Non-Formulary
<p><b>Approval Criteria</b></p> <p>1 - Patient has shown improvement with Bepreve</p>	

### 2. Background

<b>Benefit/Coverage/Program Information</b>
<p><b>RATIONALE</b> To ensure appropriate use of Bepreve (bepotastine) ophthalmic solution as third line therapy after trial and failure of alternative ophthalmic medications.</p> <p><b>FDA APPROVED INDICATIONS</b> Bepreve (bepotastine) is a histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist indicated for the treatment of itching associated with allergic conjunctivitis.</p> <p><b>REFERENCES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bepreve (bepotastine) [prescribing information]. Bridgewater, NJ: Bausch + Lomb; September 2019.</li> </ul>
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