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Manufacturer price increases may be affecting patient access to prescription medication used to treat Acne and Problem Skin.

Most Compounds can be prepared for \$60-65

Recently, some major manufacturers have drastically increased the average wholesale price (AWP) of some of their most popular medications used to treat psoriasis and eczema, as shown below.

Retin-A Micro 0.1%

50gm-**\$1,007.51**

Benzaclin 1-5%

50gm-**\$525.52**

Soolantra 1%

30gm-**\$330.00**

Epiduo 0.1- 2.5%

45gm-**\$477.72**

Metrogel 1%

60gm-**\$411.06**

Protopic 0.1%

30gm-**\$277.81**

Sodium Sulfacetamide 10-5%

57gm-**\$444.02**

Azelex 20%

50gm-**\$608.34**

Erygel 2%

60gm-**\$300.79**

As a result of these price increases, many insurance companies have decided to pass these costs on to patients through dramatically increased copays, or by simply denying coverage for medications.

How can we help?

Here at Austin Compounding Pharmacy we have traditionally compounded many different topical preparation's to treat acne and problem skin. This gives you the opportunity to combine multiple Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API's) as well as tailor the dose and concentration to directly meet the patient's needs. We recently acquired a new Clarifying Base which may improve the action of the API's used in these formulations. PCCA Clarifying Base is the ideal vehicle for **dermatological compounds** for patients with acne or problem skin. Clarifying Base supports healthy skin and decreases oil formation, is highly moisturizing, and utilizes natural ingredients that may improve the appearance of red, blotchy skin and reduce irritation. Utilizing this base with certain API's may create the perfect clinical and **Affordable** combination for your patient.

Examples of API's used to treat patients suffering from acne and problem skin include:

Metronidazole

Clindamycin

Erythromycin

Tretinoin

Benzoyl Peroxide

Sodium Sulfacetamide

Sulfur

Niacinamide

Azelaic Acid

Sodium Hyaluronate

Potassium Azelaoyl Diglycinate

Our Acne/Problem Skin prescription form (attached) lists some of the more common formulations compounded, however please feel free to call and speak to one of our pharmacists regarding your patients individual needs. Austin Compounding Pharmacy accepts most major pharmacy prescription plans and bills all prescription compounds to the patient's third party provider. However, in the changing marketplace of insurance benefits, often neither the commercial product nor the compound is covered, or the patient's co-insurance is so high as to make the prescription unaffordable. For this reason all of our compounds are competitively priced in the event that the patients insurance does not cover the prescription.