



Prescribing Policy for Camouflage on FP10

North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group restricts the prescribing of camouflage creams to the following conditions **only on the face** as an adjunctive therapy in the relief of emotional disturbances due to disfiguring and an altered image:

- Scars on the face resulting from postoperative, accident, skin condition, skin disease, self-harm, act of violence, burns, acne
- birth marks on the face
- hyperpigmentation on the face
- melasma on the face
- Vitiligo on the face

Disfigurement of the skin can be very distressing to patients and may have a marked psychological effect. In skilled hands, or with experience, camouflage cosmetics can be very effective in concealing scars and birthmarks. The depigmented patches in vitiligo are also very disfiguring and camouflage creams are of great cosmetic value.

Recommendations

- Patients with the above disfigurement must be referred to Changing Skin Camouflage Service for advice on how to apply camouflage and get the best benefit from the product.

The following products are allowed on prescription following consultation with Skin Camouflage Service:

- ✓ Covermark Classic Foundation
- ✓ Covermark Finishing Powder
- ✓ Dermacolor Camouflage Cream
- ✓ Dermacolor Fixing Powder
- ✓ Keromask Fixing Powder
- ✓ Keromask Masking Cream
- ✓ Veil Cover Cream
- ✓ Veil Finishing Powder

Please ensure 'ACBS' is endorsed on the prescription.

Reference

- Drug Tariff December 2016 'Borderline Substances' Available at: <http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/PrescriptionServices/4940.aspx> Accessed: 09/12/2016
- BNF 72 online 'Camouflagers' Available at: <https://www.evidence.nhs.uk/formulary/bnf/current> Accessed: 09/12/2016
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