Prescribing of Camouflage Creams

Thurrock CCG and Basildon and Brentwood CCG 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 surgery, accident, skin conditions, skin disease, self-harm, acts of violence, burns or acne
- birth marks on the face
- vitiligo on the face

Prescribing is not supported in certain skin markings such as moles, tattoos, spider naevi, varicose veins and thread veins, allergic reactions, bacterial and fungal infections, such as impetigo and tinea (ringworm), blister and ulcerated skin, chilblains, illnesses that visually manifest on skin, such as chickenpox and measles, infestations, such as scabies and lice, occupational/contact dermatitis, open wound, over sutures (stitches), photodermatoses, such as actinic dermatitis, psoriasis to nails, persistent palmoplantar and pustular forms of psoriasis, skin cancers, strawberry birthmarks, undiagnosed lesions, undiagnosed rashes, viral infections, such as herpes simplex, herpes zoster (shingles) and warts.

The following products are allowed on prescription:
- Covermark Classic Foundation
- Covermark Finishing Powder
- Dermacolor Camouflage Cream
- Dermacolor Fixing Powder
- Keromask Finishing Powder
- Keromask Masking Cream
- Veil Cover Cream
- Veil Finishing Powder

The following products are not allowed on prescription:
- Dermacolor Body Cover
- Dermacolor Cleansing Cream
- Dermacolor Cleansing Lotion
- Dermacolor Cleansing Milk
- Dermacolor 6 Colour Palette
- Dermacolor Creme Effective No.2
- Dermacolor Fixierspray/Fixing Spray

Please note that this list is not exhaustive.

Providers commissioned to provide services on behalf of Thurrock CCG and Basildon and Brentwood CCG are reminded that they are required to follow the local joint formulary and prescribing guidance, or relevant Medicines Management agreement.

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References
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