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SANTYL (collagenase)

RATIONALE FOR INCLUSION IN PA PROGRAM

Background

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Regulatory Status

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Prior authorization is required to ensure the safe, clinically appropriate, and cost-effective use of Santyl ointment while maintaining optimal therapeutic outcomes.

References

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