Rosacea Treatment Guideline (0101-GL-DEPT-0022-HS)

Physicians Plus considers chemical peels, dermabrasion and pulsed dye laser treatment for rosacea to be cosmetic in nature and therefore is not a covered benefit.

Physicians Plus does not cover procedural treatment of the untoward cosmetic effects associated with rosacea (eg. telangiectasia, erythema, flushing) because such treatment is considered cosmetic in nature and not medically necessary. Services are not covered when they are performed solely for the purpose of altering appearance or self-esteem, or to treat psychological symptomatology or psychosocial complaints related to one's appearance. **Rosacea treatments that are considered cosmetic include but are not limited to:**

- Chemical peels of any type
- Dermabrasion
- Intense pulsed light (IPL)
- Laser therapy (eg. pulsed dye)

**References:**


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