

Cost Effective Interleukins for Treatment of Psoriasis

Interleukins for treatment of psoriasis are very effective medications. These agents are costly to all of AHN’s patients and contracts. These medications account for \$7,643,221 spent annually. Because of this significant cost burden, AHN is focusing on using the most cost effective agent when choosing one of these medications.

Cosentyx is the most cost effective therapy with equal efficacy for the treatment of psoriasis. (If Cosentyx isn’t on the formulary, Taltz is encouraged). To avoid an increased financial burden to a patient’s health plan which will result in increased premiums to the patient, choosing the most cost effective therapy is ideal. Below are listed interleukins used for the treatment of psoriasis and their corresponding total cost¹:

Medication	Average Cost Per Day
Taltz	\$206
Tremfya	\$213
Skyrizi	\$227
Stelara	\$273
Cosentyx	\$190

Conversion of all AHN patients to the most cost effective interleukin for psoriasis would save \$1,817,297 annually.

***Disclaimer:** This information is not intended to dictate or substitute for the professional judgment of a health care practitioner in a particular case. Please verify with insurance availability on formulary.*

¹ The cost is the average amount paid by patient and payer. The pharmacy data is collected from payers and patients within the Arkansas Health Network.