

ALASKA MEDICAID

Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (HCG)

REIMBURSIBLE INDICATION:

“Prepubertal cryptorchidism not due to anatomic obstruction. In general, HCG is thought to induce testicular descent in situations when descent would have occurred at puberty. HCG thus may help to predict whether or not orchiopexy will be needed in the future. Although, in some cases, descent following HCG administration is permanent, in most cases the response is temporary.”¹⁻³

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:

1. The patient is male; **AND**
2. The patient is being treated for prepubertal cryptorchidism.

CRITERIA CAUSING DENIAL:

1. The patient is not male; **OR**
2. The patient is being treated infertility or any off-label indication, including weight loss.

REFERENCES / FOOTNOTES:

¹ Novarel[®] package insert, available at:
<<http://www.ferringfertility.com/medications/novarel/novarempi.pdf>> Accessed 05/03/2011.

² Pregnyl[®] package insert, available at: <<http://www.drugs.com/pro/pregnyl.html>>
Accessed 05/03/2011.

³ Chorionic Gonadotropin package insert, available at:
<http://editor.apppharma.com/PIs/Chorionic_for_Inj_45792F_Jan_08.pdf> Accessed 05/03/2011.