

Acne Treatment Base on Severity

	Mild Acne	Moderate Acne	Severe Acne
Description	Fewer than 20 whiteheads or blackheads, fewer than 15 inflamed bumps, or fewer than 30 total lesions.	20 to 100 whiteheads or blackheads, 15 to 50 inflamed bumps, or 30 to 125 total lesions	Multiple inflamed cysts and nodules, may turn deep red or purple. It often leaves scars.
Treatment	<p>Benzoyl peroxide (BP) or a topical retinoid</p> <p>~OR~ a topical combination therapy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BP + antibiotic 2. Retinoid + BP 3. Retinoid + BP + antibiotic 	<p>Topical combination therapy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BP + antibiotic 2. Retinoid + BP 3. Retinoid + BP + antibiotic <p>~OR~</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oral antibiotic + topical retinoid + BP 2. Oral antibiotic + topical retinoid + BP + topical antibiotic 	<p>Oral antibiotic plus topical combination therapy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BP + antibiotic 2. Retinoid + BP 3. Retinoid + BP + antibiotic <p>~OR~</p> <p>Oral isotretinoin</p> <p>**Referral to Dermatology if pt is unresponsive to treatment and requires Oral isotretinoin.</p>