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Gateway Health  
Prior Authorization Criteria  
**Lucentis (ranibizumab)**

All requests for Lucentis (ranibizumab) require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Lucentis (ranibizumab) Prior Authorization Criteria:

For all requests for Lucentis (ranibizumab) all of the following criteria must be met:

- The member is 18 years of age or older
- The treatment is prescribed by, or in consultation with, an ophthalmologist
- The requested dose and frequency is in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, nationally recognized compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines
- The member does not have an active ocular or periocular infection
- The member has tried and failed or had an intolerance to Avastin

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD).

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Macular Edema Following Retinal Vein Occlusion.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Diabetic Macular Edema and the following criteria is met:

- Must provide documentation of clinically significant macular edema (CSME) defined as any of the following:
  - Retinal thickening within 500  $\mu$ m of the macular center
  - Hard exudates within 500  $\mu$ m of the macular center with adjacent retinal thickening
  - One or more disc diameters of retinal thickening, part of which is within one disc diameter of the macular center

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Diabetic Retinopathy.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Myopic Choroidal Neovascularization.

**Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months

**Reauthorization criteria**

- Diagnosis of Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration, Macular Edema Following Retinal Vein Occlusion, Diabetic Macular Edema, Diabetic Retinopathy, or Myopic Choroidal Neovascularization

**Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months



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Coverage may be provided for any non-FDA labeled indication if it is determined that the use is a medically accepted indication supported by nationally recognized pharmacy compendia or peer-reviewed medical literature for treatment of the diagnosis(es) for which it is prescribed. These requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis to determine medical necessity.

When criteria are not met, the request will be forwarded to a Medical Director for review. The physician reviewer must override criteria when, in their professional judgment, the requested medication is medically necessary.



**LUCENTIS (ranibizumab)  
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Please complete and fax all requested information below including any progress notes, laboratory test results, or chart documentation as applicable to Gateway Health<sup>SM</sup> Pharmacy Services. **FAX:** (888) 245-2049  
If needed, you may call to speak to a Pharmacy Services Representative.  
**PHONE:** (800) 392-1147 Monday through Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

Requesting Provider:	NPI:
Provider Specialty: <input type="checkbox"/> Ophthalmologist <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	Office Contact:
Office Address:	Office Phone:
	Office Fax:

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Member Name:	DOB:
Gateway ID:	Member weight: _____ pounds or _____ kg

**REQUESTED DRUG INFORMATION**

Medication:	Strength:
Frequency:	Duration:
Is the member currently receiving requested medication? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Date Medication Initiated:	

**Billing Information**

This medication will be billed:  at a pharmacy **OR**  
 medically (if medically please provide a JCODE: \_\_\_\_\_)

Place of Service:  Hospital  Provider's office  Member's home  Other

**Place of Service Information**

Name:	NPI:
Address:	Phone:

**MEDICAL HISTORY (Complete for ALL requests)**

**Diagnosis:**

- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) | ICD-10 Code: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Macular Edema following Retinal Vein Occlusion           | ICD-10 Code: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic Macular Edema                                   | ICD-10 Code: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic Retinopathy                                     | ICD-10 Code: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Myopic Choroidal Neovascularization                      | ICD-10 Code: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____   | ICD-10 Code: _____ |

Does the member have an active ocular or periocular infection?  Yes  No  
Has the member tried and failed Avastin?  Yes  No

For the diagnosis of Diabetic Macular Edema:

Must provide documentation of clinically significant macular edema (CSME) defined as any of the following:

- Retinal thickening within 500 μm of the macular center
- Hard exudates within 500 μm of the macular center with adjacent retinal thickening
- One or more disc diameters of retinal thickening, part of which is within one disc diameter of the macular center

**CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY**

Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Why/Current)



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**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Member Name:	DOB:
Gateway ID:	Member weight: _____pounds or _____kg

**REAUTHORIZATION**

Has the member experienced a significant improvement with treatment?  Yes  No

**SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE**


**Prescribing Provider Signature**

**Date**

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