

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

Coverage may be provided with a <u>diagnosis</u> of Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) and the following criteria is 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

Initial Duration of Approval: 12 months **Reauthorization criteria**

• Documentation of clinical benefit and tolerance to therapy.

Reauthorization Duration of Approval: 12 months

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.



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Please complete and fax all requested information below including any progress notes, laboratory test results, or chart				
documentation as applicable to Gateway Health SM Pharmacy Services. FAX: (888) 245-2049				
	ded, you may call to speak to			
РНС	DNE : (800) 392-1147 Monda		am to 5:00pm	
	PROVIDER I	NFORMATION		
Requesting Provider:		NPI:		
Provider Specialty:		Office Contact:		
Office Address:	Office Phone:			
Office Fax:				
	MEMBER IN	NFORMATION		
Member Name:		DOB:		
Gateway ID:		Member weight:pounds orkg		
	REQUESTED DR	UG INFORMATION	N	
Medication: Strength:				
Frequency:		Duration:		
Is the member currently receiving requested medication? Yes 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 Serv	ice Information		
Name: N			PI:	
Address:		Phone:		
	MEDICAL HISTORY (0	Complete for ALL re	equests)	
Diagnosis:				
Does the member have an active of				
CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY				
Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Wh	y/Current)
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	REAUTH	ORIZATION		
Has the member experienced a sig			\square No	
Please describe:				
SUI	PPORTING INFORMATIO	ON or CLINICAL R	ATIONALE	
Prescribing Provid	der Signature		Date	