

# Glaucoma Step Therapy Effective 02/01/2024

Plan	☐ MassHealth UPPL ⊠Commercial/Exchange	Program Type ☐ Quantity	☐ Prior Authorization	
Benefit	<ul><li>☑ Pharmacy Benefit</li><li>☐ Medical Benefit</li></ul>		☐ Quantity Limit  ☐ Step Therapy	
Specialty Limitations	N/A			
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#### Overview

Prescriptions that meet the initial step therapy requirements will adjudicate automatically at the point of sale. If the prescription does not meet the initial step therapy requirements, the prescription will deny with a message indicating that prior authorization (PA) is required. Refer to the criteria below and submit a PA request for the members who do not meet the initial step therapy requirements at the point of sale.

# **Initial Step-Therapy Requirements:**

**First-Line:** Medication(s) listed on first-line are covered without prior-authorization.

**Second-Line:** Second-line medications will pay if the member has filled a first-line medication or a second-line medication within the past 180 days.

**Third-Line:** Third-line medications will pay if the member has filled a second-line medication or a third-line medication within the past 180 days.

## **Coverage Guidelines**

If a member does not meet the initial step therapy requirements, then approval of a second-line medication will be granted if the member has a documented inadequate response or side effect to the first-line medication. Approval of a third-line medication will be granted if the member has a documented inadequate response or side effect to the first-line medication and one second-line medication.

FIRST-LINE	SECOND-LINE	THIRD-LINE
Latanoprost 0.005%	Bimatoprost 0.01%	Rhopressa
	Travoprost 0.004%	Rocklatan
	Tafluprost 0.0015%	lyuzeh

### Limitations

1. Approvals will be granted for 36 months

#### References

- 1. Xalatan (latanoprost) [prescribing information]. New York, NY: Pfizer; April 2017
- 2. Lumigan (bimatoprost) [prescribing information]. Irvine, CA: Allergan; July 2017
- 3. Rhopressa (netarsudil) [prescribing information]. Irvine, CA: Aerie Pharmaceuticals; March 2019
- 4. Rocklatan (netarsudil/latanoprost) [prescribing information]. Irvine, CA: Aerie Pharmaceuticals, Inc; March 2019
- 5. Travatan Z (travoprost) [product monograph]. Dorval, Quebec, Canada: Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc; February 2019
- 6. Zioptan (tafluprost) [prescribing information]. Lake Forest, IL: Akorn, Inc; January 2018
- 7. Iyuzeh (latanoprost) [prescribing information]. Lexington, MA: Thea Pharma Inc; December 2022.

# **Review History**

09/18/19 – Reviewed.

12/13/2023 – Reviewed and Updated for Dec P&T; Added new drug lyuzeh to criteria as third line agent. Removed Lumigan and Travatan as products are NF and have been replaced by generics. Effective 2/1/2024

