



**Ophthalmic Other Drugs**  
**Visudyne (verteporfin inj) J3396**  
**Prior Authorization Request**  
**Medicare Part B Form**

Instructions: \* Indicates required information – Form may be returned if required information is not provided. Please fax this request to the appropriate fax number listed at the bottom of the page.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Standard Request– (72 Hours)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Urgent Request</b> (standard time frame could place the member's life, health or ability in serious jeopardy)
Date Requested _____			
Requestor _____ Clinic name: _____ Phone _____ / Fax _____			

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ \*DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESCRIBER INFORMATION**

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_  MD  FNP  DO  NP  PA \*Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISPENSING PROVIDER / ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION**

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROCEDURE / PRODUCT INFORMATION**

HCPC Code	Name of Drug	Dose (Wt: _____ kg Ht: _____ )	Frequency	End Date if known

Self-administered       Provider-administered       Home Infusion

Chart notes attached. **Other important information:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Diagnosis: ICD10:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

Provider attests the diagnosis provided is an FDA-Approved indication for this drug

**CLINICAL INFORMATION**

**New Start or Initial Request:** (Clinical documentation required for all requests)  
 The member is 18 years of age or older  
 The treatment is prescribed by, or in consultation with, an ophthalmologist.  
 Patient has tried and failed Avastin (bevacizumab) for at least 3 months.

**Continuation Requests:** (Clinical documentation required for all requests)  
 Patient had an adequate response or significant improvement while on this medication.  
 If not, please provide clinical rationale for continuing this medication: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**Request By (Signature Required):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Any person who knowingly files a request for authorization of coverage of a medical procedure or service with the intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company by providing materially false information or conceals material information for the purpose of misleading, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties. **THIS AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT. PAYMENT IS BASED ON BENEFITS IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF SERVICE, MEMBER ELIGIBILITY AND MEDICAL NECESSITY.**

## Prior Authorization Group – Ophthalmic Other Drugs PA

### Drug Name(s):

**VISUDYNE**

**VERTEPORFIN**

### Criteria for approval of Prior Authorization Drug:

1. Prescribed for an approved FDA diagnosis (as listed below):
2. Drug is being used appropriately per MCG GUIDELINES, CMS recognized compendia, authoritative medical literature, evidence-based guidelines and/or accepted standards of medical practice.
3. Member does not have any clinically relevant contraindications, or CMS/Plan exclusions, to the requested drug.
  - If the member meets all these criteria, they may be approved by the Plan for the requested drug.
  - Quantity limits and Tiering will be determined by the Plan.

### Exclusion Criteria:

N/A

### Prescriber Restrictions:

N/A

### Coverage Duration:

Approvals will be for 6 months

### FDA Indications:

#### Visudyne

- Age related macular degeneration - Choroidal retinal neovascularization
- Choroidal retinal neovascularization - Myopia, Pathologic
- Choroidal retinal neovascularization - Ocular histoplasmosis syndrome, Presumed

### Off-Label Uses:

#### Visudyne

- Skin Cancer

### Age Restrictions:

Safety and effectiveness have not been established in pediatric patients

### Other Clinical Considerations:

### Resources:

[https://careweb.careguidelines.com/ed24/ac/ac03\\_050.htm](https://careweb.careguidelines.com/ed24/ac/ac03_050.htm)