

<b>Clinical Policy Title:</b>	latanoprostene bunod
<b>Policy Number:</b>	RxA.566
<b>Drug(s) Applied:</b>	Vyzulta®
<b>Original Policy Date:</b>	03/06/2020
<b>Last Review Date:</b>	12/07/2020
<b>Line of Business Policy Applies to:</b>	All lines of business

## Background

Latanoprostene bunod (Vyzulta®) is a prostaglandin analog that is metabolized into two moieties, latanoprost acid and a butanediol mononitrate which releases nitric oxide.

It is indicated for the reduction of intraocular pressure (IOP) in patients with open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension.

## Dosing Information

Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
latanoprostene bunod (Vyzulta®)	Open-angle glaucoma, Ocular hypertension	1 drop in the affected eye(s) once daily in the evening	1 bottle/30 days

## Dosage Forms

- Ophthalmic solution: 0.024% (2.5 mL, 5 mL)

## Clinical Policy

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

### I. Initial Approval Criteria

#### A. Open-Angle Glaucoma, Ocular Hypertension (must meet all):

- Diagnosis of open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension;
- Age ≥ 17 years;
- Failure of a generic ophthalmic prostaglandin analog (e.g., latanoprost), ophthalmic beta-blocker (e.g., timolol), or ophthalmic alpha-2 adrenergic agonist (e.g., brimonidine) unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse events are experienced;
- Dose does not exceed one bottle every 30 days.

#### Approval Duration

**Commercial:** 12 months

**Medicaid:** 12 months

### II. Continued Therapy Approval

#### A. Open-Angle Glaucoma, Ocular Hypertension (must meet all):

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1. Currently receiving medication that has been authorized by RxAdvance or member has previously met initial approval criteria listed in this policy ;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed one bottle every 30 days.

**Approval Duration**

**Commercial:** 12 months

**Medicaid:** 12 months

**III. Appendices**

**APPENDIX A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key**

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

IOP: intraocular pressure

**APPENDIX B: Therapeutic Alternatives**

Below are suggested therapeutic alternatives based on clinical guidance. Please check drug formulary for preferred agents and utilization management requirements.

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
latanoprost (Xalatan®)	1 drop in the affected eye(s) once daily in the evening	1 drop/eye/day
timolol (Timoptic®)	1 drop in the affected eye(s) BID	2 drops/eye/day
brimonidine (Alphagan® P)	1 drop in the affected eye(s) TID	3 drops/eye/day

*Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name® (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name®) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.*

**APPENDIX C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings**

- Contraindication(s):
  - None reported
- Boxed Warning(s):
  - None reported

**APPENDIX D: General Information**

None

**References**

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Review/Revision History	Review/Revision Date	P&T Approval Date
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