

Retinal vein occlusion – initial authority application

Online PBS Authorities



Requesting PBS Authorities online provides an immediate assessment in real time.

For more information and how to access the **Online PBS Authorities** system, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/hppbsauthorities

When to use this form

Use this form to apply for **initial** PBS-subsidised aflibercept, dexamethasone intravitreal implant or ranibizumab for patients with branched retinal vein occlusion (BRVO) or central retinal vein occlusion (CRVO) with macular oedema.

Important information

Initial applications to start PBS-subsidised treatment for each eye can be made in real time using the **Online PBS Authorities** system or in writing and must include sufficient information to determine the patient's eligibility according to the PBS criteria.

Where both eyes are affected by the condition, a quantity of 2 units can be requested through the same authority application.

Authority approval for initial treatment of each eye must be sought.

Under no circumstances will phone approvals be granted for retinal vein occlusion **initial** authority applications.

The information in this form is correct at the time of publishing and may be subject to change.

Continuing treatment

This form is **ONLY** for **initial** treatment.

After an authority application for **initial** treatment has been approved, applications for **continuing** treatment with the same drug for the same eye as per the PBS restriction is **Authority Required (STREAMLINED)** and does not require prior authority approval from Services Australia for the listed quantity and repeats.

For more information

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