Susvimo® (Ranibizumab Injection)

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➲ Instructions for Use

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Related Commercial Policies
None

Application

UnitedHealthcare Commercial
This Medical Policy applies to UnitedHealthcare Commercial benefit plans.

UnitedHealthcare Individual Exchange
This Medical Policy applies to Individual Exchange benefit plans.

Coverage Rationale

➲ See Benefit Considerations

Susvimo is proven and medically necessary when all of the following criteria are met:

- For **initial therapy**, **all** of the following:
  - **One** of the following diagnoses:
    - Neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD); **or**
    - Diabetic Macular Edema (DME); **or**
    - Diabetic retinopathy (DR)

    and
  - Patient has previously responded to at least **two** intravitreal injections of a VEGF inhibitor [e.g., Avastin (bevacizumab), Eylea (aflibercept), Eylea HD (aflibercept), Lucentis (ranibizumab), Pavblu (aflibercept-ayyh), Vabysmo (faricimab-svoa)]; **and**
  - Dosing is in accordance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)–approved labeling; **and**
  - Initial authorization will be for no longer than 12 months
- For **continuation of therapy**, **all** of the following:
  - Documentation of a positive clinical response; **and**
  - Dosing is in accordance with the FDA-approved labeling; **and**
  - Reauthorization will be for no longer than 12 months

Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered

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health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other policies and guidelines may apply.

HCPCS Code	Description
J2779	Injection, ranibizumab, via intravitreal implant, 0.1 mg

Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)	
E08.311	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with unspecified diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E08.3211	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E08.3212	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E08.3213	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E08.3219	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3311	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E08.3312	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E08.3313	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E08.3319	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3411	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E08.3412	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E08.3413	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E08.3419	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3511	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E08.3512	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E08.3513	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E08.3519	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.311	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E09.3211	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E09.3212	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E09.3213	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E09.3219	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)	
E09.3311	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E09.3312	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E09.3313	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E09.3319	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3411	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E09.3412	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E09.3413	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E09.3419	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3511	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E09.3512	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E09.3513	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E09.3519	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.311	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E10.3211	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E10.3212	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E10.3213	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E10.3219	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3311	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E10.3312	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E10.3313	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E10.3319	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3411	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E10.3412	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E10.3413	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E10.3419	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3511	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)	
E10.3512	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E10.3513	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E10.3519	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.311	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E11.3211	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E11.3212	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E11.3213	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E11.3219	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3311	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E11.3312	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E11.3313	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E11.3319	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3411	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E11.3412	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E11.3413	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E11.3419	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3511	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E11.3512	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E11.3513	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E11.3519	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.311	Other specified diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E13.3211	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E13.3212	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E13.3213	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E13.3219	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3311	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E13.3312	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E13.3313	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E13.3319	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)	
E13.3411	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E13.3412	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E13.3413	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E13.3419	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3511	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, right eye
E13.3512	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, left eye
E13.3513	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, bilateral
E13.3519	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema, unspecified eye
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E08.319	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E08.3291	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E08.3292	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E08.3293	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E08.3299	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3391	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E08.3392	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E08.3393	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E08.3399	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3491	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E08.3492	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E08.3493	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E08.3499	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E08.3521	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E08.3522	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E08.3523	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E08.3529	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E08.3531	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E08.3532	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E08.3533	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E08.3539	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E08.3541	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E08.3542	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E08.3543	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E08.3549	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E08.3551	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E08.3552	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E08.3553	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E08.3559	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E08.3591	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E08.3592	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E08.3593	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E08.3599	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.319	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E09.3291	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E09.3292	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E09.3293	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3299	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3391	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E09.3392	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E09.3393	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3399	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3491	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E09.3492	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E09.3493	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3493	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3499	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3521	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E09.3522	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E09.3523	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E09.3529	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E09.3531	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E09.3532	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E09.3533	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E09.3539	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E09.3541	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E09.3542	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E09.3543	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E09.3549	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E09.3551	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E09.3552	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E09.3553	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E09.3559	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E09.3591	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E09.3592	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E09.3593	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3599	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.319	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E10.3291	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E10.3292	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3293	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3299	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3391	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3392	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3393	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3399	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3491	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3492	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3493	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3499	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3521	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E10.3522	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E10.3523	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E10.3529	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E10.3531	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E10.3532	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E10.3533	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E10.3539	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E10.3541	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E10.3542	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E10.3543	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E10.3549	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E10.3551	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E10.3552	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E10.3553	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E10.3559	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E10.3591	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3592	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3593	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3599	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.319	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E11.3291	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3292	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3293	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3299	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3391	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3392	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3393	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3399	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3491	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3492	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3493	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3499	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3521	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E11.3522	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E11.3523	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E11.3529	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E11.3531	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E11.3532	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E11.3533	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E11.3539	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E11.3541	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E11.3542	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E11.3543	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E11.3549	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E11.3551	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E11.3552	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E11.3553	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E11.3559	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E11.3591	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3592	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3593	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3599	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.319	Other specified diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E13.3291	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3292	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3293	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3299	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3391	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3392	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3393	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3399	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3491	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3492	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3493	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3499	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3521	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E13.3522	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E13.3523	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E13.3529	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E13.3531	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E13.3532	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E13.3533	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E13.3539	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E13.3541	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E13.3542	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E13.3543	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E13.3549	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E13.3551	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E13.3552	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E13.3553	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E13.3559	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E13.3591	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3592	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3593	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3599	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E09.3553	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E09.3559	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E09.3591	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E09.3592	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E09.3593	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E09.3599	Drug or chemical induced diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.319	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E10.3291	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3292	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3293	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3299	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E10.3391	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3392	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3393	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3399	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3491	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3492	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3493	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E10.3499	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E10.3521	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E10.3522	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E10.3523	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E10.3529	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E10.3531	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E10.3532	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E10.3533	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E10.3539	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E10.3541	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E10.3542	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E10.3543	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E10.3549	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E10.3551	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E10.3552	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E10.3553	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E10.3559	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E10.3591	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E10.3592	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E10.3593	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E10.3599	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.319	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E11.3291	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3292	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3293	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3299	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3391	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3392	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3393	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3399	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3491	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3492	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3493	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3499	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E11.3521	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E11.3522	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E11.3523	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E11.3529	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E11.3531	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E11.3532	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye
E11.3533	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E11.3539	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E11.3541	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E11.3542	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E11.3543	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E11.3549	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E11.3551	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E11.3552	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E11.3553	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E11.3559	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E11.3591	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E11.3592	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E11.3593	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E11.3599	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.319	Other specified diabetes mellitus with unspecified diabetic retinopathy without macular edema
E13.3291	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3292	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3293	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3299	Other specified diabetes mellitus with mild nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3391	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3392	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3393	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3399	Other specified diabetes mellitus with moderate nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3491	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3492	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3493	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3499	Other specified diabetes mellitus with severe nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
E13.3521	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, right eye
E13.3522	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, left eye
E13.3523	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, bilateral
E13.3529	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment involving the macula, unspecified eye
E13.3531	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, right eye
E13.3532	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, left eye

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Diagnosis Code	Description
Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)	
E13.3533	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, bilateral
E13.3539	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with traction retinal detachment not involving the macula, unspecified eye
E13.3541	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, right eye
E13.3542	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, left eye
E13.3543	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, bilateral
E13.3549	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy with combined traction retinal detachment and rhegmatogenous retinal detachment, unspecified eye
E13.3551	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, right eye
E13.3552	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, left eye
E13.3553	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, bilateral
E13.3559	Other specified diabetes mellitus with stable proliferative diabetic retinopathy, unspecified eye
E13.3591	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, right eye
E13.3592	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, left eye
E13.3593	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, bilateral
E13.3599	Other specified diabetes mellitus with proliferative diabetic retinopathy without macular edema, unspecified eye
Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)	
H35.3211	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, right eye, with active choroidal neovascularization
H35.3212	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, right eye, with inactive choroidal neovascularization
H35.3221	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, left eye, with active choroidal neovascularization
H35.3222	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, left eye, with inactive choroidal neovascularization
H35.3231	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, bilateral, with active choroidal neovascularization
H35.3232	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, bilateral, with inactive choroidal neovascularization
H35.3291	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, unspecified eye, with active choroidal neovascularization
H35.3292	Exudative age-related macular degeneration, unspecified eye, with inactive choroidal neovascularization

Background

Ranibizumab binds to the receptor binding site of multiple biologically active forms of VEGF-A, including VEGF[110]. VEGF-A has been shown to cause neovascularization and leakage in models of ocular angiogenesis and vascular occlusion and is thought to contribute to pathophysiology of neovascular AMD. The binding of ranibizumab to VEGF-A prevents the interaction of VEGF-A with its receptors (VEGFR1 and VEGFR2) on the surface of endothelial cells, reducing endothelial cell proliferation, vascular leakage, and new blood vessel formation.

Benefit Considerations

Some Certificates of Coverage allow for coverage of experimental/investigational/unproven treatments for life-threatening illnesses when certain conditions are met. The member specific benefit plan document must be consulted to make coverage decisions for this service. Some states mandate benefit coverage for off-label use of medications for some

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diagnoses or under some circumstances when certain conditions are met. Where such mandates apply, they supersede language in the benefit document or in the medical or drug policy.

Clinical Evidence

Proven

Neovascular Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)

The clinical efficacy and safety of Susvimo (ranibizumab injection) was assessed in a randomized, visual assessor-masked, active treatment-controlled study (NCT03677934) in patients with AMD. A total of 415 patients (248 in the Susvimo arm and 167 in the intravitreal ranibizumab arm) were enrolled and treated in this study. Patients were diagnosed with AMD within the 9 months prior to screening and received ≥ 3 doses of anti-VEGF intravitreal agents in the study eye within the last 6 months prior to screening. Each patient was required to have demonstrated a response to an anti-VEGF intravitreal agent prior to randomization. Patients were randomized in a 3:2 ratio to receive continuous delivery of SUSVIMO (ranibizumab injection) via the Susvimo implant every 24 weeks or 0.5 mg intravitreal ranibizumab injections every 4 weeks. For patients randomized to the Susvimo arm, supplemental treatment with 0.5 mg intravitreal ranibizumab injections was available at Weeks 16, 20, 40, 44, 64, 68, 88, and 92, if needed. In the first 24 weeks, 1.6% of patients assessed for supplemental treatment received 1 or more supplemental treatment(s) and in the following 24 weeks, 5.4% of patients assessed for supplemental treatment received 1 or more supplemental treatment(s). The primary efficacy endpoint of change from baseline in distance Best Corrected Visual Acuity (BCVA) score averaged over Week 36 and Week 40 demonstrated that Susvimo was equivalent to intravitreal ranibizumab injections administered every 4 weeks [0.2 vs. 0.5; 95% CI -0.3 (-1.7, 1.1)].

Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)

The clinical efficacy and safety of Susvimo were assessed in a randomized, visual assessor-masked, active treatment-controlled study (NCT04108156) in patients with DME. A total of 634 patients (381 in the SUSVIMO arm and 253 in the intravitreal ranibizumab 0.5 mg arm) were enrolled and treated in this study. Patients were randomized in a 3:2 ratio to receive continuous delivery of Susvimo via the implant every 24 weeks or 0.5 mg intravitreal ranibizumab injections every 4 weeks. Prior to study treatment, a median of 4 doses of intravitreal ranibizumab 0.5 mg were administered in the study eye of patients in the Susvimo and intravitreal ranibizumab arms. Patient ages ranged from 29 to 89 years with a mean of 60.7 years. A total of 21% 29 of patients were previously treated for DME. At baseline, the overall mean visual acuity was 65.3 letters (range: 25 to 89 letters). The primary efficacy endpoint of change from baseline in distance Best Corrected Visual Acuity (BCVA) score averaged over Week 60 and Week 64 demonstrated that SUSVIMO was non-inferior to intravitreal ranibizumab injections administered every 4 weeks [9.6 vs 9.4; 95% CI 0.2 (-1.2, 1.6)].

Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)

The clinical efficacy and safety of Susvimo were assessed in a randomized, visual assessor and reading center-masked study (NCT04503551) in patients with moderately-severe to severe non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy (NPDR) [Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study Diabetic Retinopathy Severity Scale (ETDRS-DRSS) of 47 or 53], without center-involved DME (CI-DME), and who had not received prior treatment in the study eye for DR. A total of 174 patients (106 in the Susvimo arm and 68 in the observational comparator arm) were enrolled in this study. Patients who had not received prior treatment in the study eye for DR were randomized in a 5:3 ratio to continuous delivery of Susvimo via the implant every 36 weeks or to clinical observation. Prior to the implant procedure, two loading doses of intravitreal ranibizumab 0.5 mg were administered in the study eye. The observational comparator arm did not receive loading doses of intravitreal ranibizumab. For patients who developed CI-DME or proliferative diabetic retinopathy/anterior segment neovascularization in either arm, supplemental treatment with intravitreal injections of 0.5 mg ranibizumab was available per investigator's clinical judgment at any non-refill-exchange study visit. Patient ages ranged from 24 to 83 years with a mean of 53.9 years. At baseline, the overall mean visual acuity was 82.4 letters (range: 69 to 97 letters). The primary efficacy endpoint, proportion of patients with a ≥ 2-step improvement on the ETDRS-DRSS from baseline at Week 52 was superior to clinical observation at Week 52 [80% vs 9%; 95% CI 71% (61%, 81%)].

U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

This section is to be used for informational purposes only. FDA approval alone is not a basis for coverage.

Susvimo (ranibizumab injection), a vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) inhibitor, is indicated for the treatment of patients with:

- Neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) who have previously responded to at least two intravitreal injections of a VEGF inhibitor medication

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- Diabetic macular edema (DME) who have previously responded to at least two intravitreal injections of a VEGF inhibitor medication
- Diabetic retinopathy (DR) who have previously responded to at least two intravitreal injections of a VEGF inhibitor medication

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Policy History/Revision Information

Date	Summary of Changes

08/01/2026	**Template Update**
	• Transferred content to shared policy template that applies to both UnitedHealthcare Commercial and Individual Exchange benefit plans
	• Added *Application* section to indicate this policy applies to:
	  ○ UnitedHealthcare Commercial benefit plans
	  ○ Individual Exchange benefit plans
	Supporting Information
	• Updated *FDA* and *References* sections to reflect the most current information
	• Archived previous policy versions 2025D0138B and IEXD0138.02

Instructions for Use

This Medical Benefit Drug Policy provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the member specific benefit plan document must be referenced as the terms of the member specific benefit plan may differ from the standard plan. In the event of a conflict, the member specific benefit plan document governs. Before using this policy, check the member specific benefit plan document and any applicable federal or state mandates. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its policies and guidelines as necessary. This Medical Benefit Drug Policy is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

This Medical Benefit Drug Policy may also be applied to Medicare Advantage plans in certain instances. In the absence of a Medicare National Coverage Determination (NCD), Local Coverage Determination (LCD), or other Medicare coverage guidance, CMS allows a Medicare Advantage Organization (MAO) to create its own coverage determinations, using objective evidence-based rationale relying on authoritative evidence (Medicare IOM Pub. No. 100-16, Ch. 4, §90.5).

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