



## Commercial/Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria Effective: February 10, 2022

**Prior Authorization:** Vuity

**Products Affected:** Vuity (pilocarpine hydrochloride) ophthalmic solution

**Medication Description:**

VUITY is a cholinergic muscarinic receptor agonist indicated for the treatment of presbyopia in adults. Pilocarpine hydrochloride is a cholinergic muscarinic agonist which activates muscarinic receptors located at smooth muscles such as the iris sphincter muscle and ciliary muscle. VUITY contracts the iris sphincter muscle, constricting the pupil to improve near and intermediate visual acuity while maintaining some pupillary response to light. VUITY also contracts the ciliary muscle and may shift the eye to a more myopic state.

**Covered Uses:** Presbyopia

**Exclusion Criteria:**

1. Member has glaucoma or ocular hypertension
2. Concurrent use with any other ophthalmic pilocarpine formulation

**Required Medical Information:**

1. Diagnosis
2. Medical history

**Prescriber Restriction:** Prescribed by, or in consultation with, an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist.

**Age Restriction:** N/A

**Coverage Duration:** 6 months

**Other Criteria:**

**Initial Approval Criteria**

1. **Presbyopia.** Approve if the patient meets all of the following:
  - A. Age between 40 and 55 years at the time of therapy initiation; **AND**
  - B. Patient has had a therapeutic failure, contraindication or intolerance to either eyeglasses or contact lenses.

**Renewal Criteria:**

- A. Member has responded positively to the treatment as determined by the prescribing physician; **AND**
- B. Member has not experienced unacceptable toxicity from the drug.

**Quantity Limit:** One 2.5 ml dropper bottle per month

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**References:**

1. Vuity Prescribing Information. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie Inc.; January 2022. Available at: [https://www.rxabbvie.com/pdf/vuity\\_pi.pdf](https://www.rxabbvie.com/pdf/vuity_pi.pdf). Accessed January 15, 2022

**Policy Revision history**

<b>Rev #</b>	<b>Type of Change</b>	<b>Summary of Change</b>	<b>Sections Affected</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	2/10/2022

