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**Subject: LUCENTIS®(ranibizumab injection), New Warnings and Precautions:  
Retinal Vasculitis with or without Occlusion**

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Dear Health Care Provider:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the updated safety information for LUCENTIS. LUCENTIS is a vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) inhibitor indicated for the treatment of patients with:

- Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (nAMD)
- Diabetic Macular Edema (DME)
- Macular Edema Following Retinal Vein Occlusion (RVO)
- Diabetic Retinopathy (DR)
- Myopic Choroidal Neovascularization (mCNV)

**Risk of Retinal Vasculitis with or without Occlusion**

An update to the Warnings and Precautions and Patient Counseling sections of the [US Prescribing Information](#) has been added. Retinal vasculitis with or without occlusion is a serious event that can cause permanent vision loss.

The benefit-risk profile of LUCENTIS for all its approved indications continues to be favorable.

## **Prescriber Action**

- Counsel patients about the benefits and risks of LUCENTIS, including the risk of retinal vasculitis with or without retinal vascular occlusion.
- Patients treated with LUCENTIS should be instructed to report any changes in vision without delay to permit prompt and appropriate management [see Patient Counseling Information (17)]. If the eye becomes red, sensitive to light, painful, or develops a change in vision, advise the patient to seek immediate care from an ophthalmologist.
- LUCENTIS should be discontinued in patients who develop these events.
- Prescribers should refer to the Warnings and Precautions Section 5.5 of the [US Prescribing Information](#).

## **Reporting Adverse Events and Company Contact**

Health Care Providers should report any adverse events or product complaints suspected to be associated with the use of LUCENTIS to Genentech at 1-833-EYE-GENE. Alternatively, this information may be reported to FDA's MedWatch reporting system by phone (1-800-FDA-1088) or online ([www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch)).

Should you have any questions about the information in this letter or the safe and effective use of LUCENTIS, please contact us at: 1-833-EYE-GENE. This letter is not intended as a complete description of the benefits and risks related to the use of LUCENTIS. Please refer to the enclosed [full prescribing information](#) for additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Toby Patterson', written in a cursive style.

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