

SCENESSE[®] applied under five-year Veterans Affairs contract

U.S. Federal Supply Schedule for Veterans with EPP

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CLINUVEL has been awarded a five-year contract by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to supply SCENESSE[®] (afamelanotide) for adult erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP) patients.

Treatment access for U.S. Veterans

The Federal Supply Schedule contract lists SCENESSE[®] under Schedule 65 I B, with CLINUVEL now one of approximately 400 companies authorised to supply pharmaceuticals to the VA.

The listings enable any adult EPP patient covered by the VA health care program to receive SCENESSE[®] treatment at all VA facilities until July 2028, when the contract can be reviewed and renewed. An estimated nine million individuals are enrolled in the VA health care program, with nearly 1,300 VA healthcare facilities across the U.S.A.

“We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the Veterans for their service and understand the significance of providing them with access to life-altering therapies like SCENESSE[®],” CLINUVEL’s Director of North American Operations, Dr Linda Teng said. *“Following the launch of SCENESSE[®] in 2020, our team have worked to facilitate treatment for EPP patients through both private insurance and U.S. government coverage programs, with year-on-year increases in patients seeking and receiving treatment.”*

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Reference

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About CLINUVEL PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED

CLINUVEL (ASX: CUV; ADR LEVEL 1: CLVLY; BÖRSE FRANKFURT: UR9) is a global specialty pharmaceutical group focused on developing and commercialising treatments for patients with genetic, metabolic, systemic, and life-threatening, acute disorders, as well as healthcare solutions for the general population. As pioneers in photomedicine and the family of melanocortin peptides, CLINUVEL’s research and development has led to innovative treatments for patient populations with a clinical need for systemic photoprotection, DNA repair, repigmentation and acute or life-threatening conditions who lack alternatives.

CLINUVEL’s lead therapy, SCENESSE[®] (afamelanotide 16mg), is approved for commercial distribution in Europe, the USA, Israel and Australia as the world’s first systemic photoprotective drug for the prevention of phototoxicity (anaphylactoid reactions and burns) in adult patients with erythropoietic protoporphyria (EPP). Headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, CLINUVEL has operations in Europe, Singapore and the USA. For more information, please go to <https://www.clinuvel.com>.

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