

RARE VISION CONDITIONS & HEALTH PLAN BARRIERS



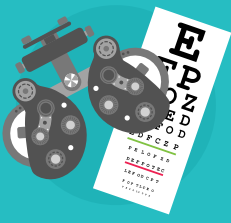
Health plans sometimes use tactics called utilization management to reduce their costs,

FREQUENTLY AT THE EXPENSE OF PATIENT HEALTH.



These practices include:

-  New-to-market exclusions
-  Prior Authorization
-  Step Therapy
-  Non-medical Switching
-  High Cost Sharing



Worsening symptoms

Treatment barriers can harm people with rare vision conditions.

DELAYS & DISRUPTIONS CAN LEAD TO:



Loss of vision



Reduced quality of life



New side effects



Disease progression

Many rare vision patients **HAVE ALREADY WAITED YEARS TO RECEIVE A DIAGNOSIS** and find a treatment path.

Health plan barriers can add days, weeks or even months to their wait.



POLICY REFORM CAN HELP PROTECT TREATMENT ACCESS.



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