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Glaucoma Financial Assistance Information

Below is a list* of organizations and companies that provide financial assistance for your glaucoma care. Talk to your pharmacist and eye care provider about options for your medications.

Patient Assistance Programs

Patient Assistance Program from Pharmaceutical Companies

Pharmaceutical companies have established Patient Assistance Programs which provide financial support for medications to eligible patients in the United States who are unable to afford the cost of their medication. Note, qualification criteria for each of these programs may vary or change over time.

Company	Medications such as:	Website/Phone number
AbbVie	Durysta®(bimatoprost intracameral implant)	https://abbvie.com/patients/ patient-support/patient-assis- tance.html
Alcon	Simbrinza® (brinzolamide/brimonidine) Rocklatan® (netarsudil/latanoprost) Rhopressa® (netarsudil)	https://myalcon.com/pay- ment-assistance-programs
Allergan	Lumigan® (bimatoprost) Alphagan® P (brimonidine) Combigan® (brimonidine tartrate/timolol)	https://abbvie.com/patients/ patient-support/patient-assis- tance/eligibility-criteria.html
Bausch Health	Vyzulta® (latanoprostene bunod) Istalol® (timolol)	https://bauschhealthpap.com
Merck	Trusopt® (dorzolamide) Timoptic-XE® (timolol) Timoptic® in Occudose® (timolol)	https://merckhelps.com
Novartis	Travatan Z® (travoprost) Azopt® (brinzolamide)	https://novartis.com/us-en/ patients-and-caregivers/ patient-assistance
Pfizer	Xalatan® (latanoprost)	https://pfizerrxpathways.com
Sun Pharma	Xelpros™ (latanoprost)	https://xelpros.com/patient/ savings
Thea	Betimol® (timolol) Zioptan® (tafluprost) Cosopt® PF (dorzalomide/timolol)	(844) 202-5909

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Eye Exams, Vision Care, and Treatment



The Glaucoma Community is a free online community that empowers individuals through knowledge, support, and shared experiences. When you sign up for The Glaucoma Community, you'll unlock personalized article recommendations, helpful resources and firsthand advice, and a supportive community of thousands of other people experiencing glaucoma symptoms. Join The Glaucoma Community, in partnership with Responsum Health, to get the answers and support you're looking for! For more information, visit us at https://preventblindness. org/glaucoma-community.



The American Academy of Ophthalmology EyeCare America® Program

P.O. Box 429098

San Francisco, CA 94142-9098

Phone: (877) 887-6327 Fax: (415) 561-8567

Email: evecareamerica@aao.org https://aao.org/eyecare-america

EyeCare America provides eye care to US citizens and legal residents through volunteer ophthalmologists, often at no out-of-pocket cost to those who qualify. Visit https://aao.org/eyecare-america to find out if you or someone you know qualifies for eye care. More than 90 percent of care provided is at no out-of-pocket cost to EyeCare America patients.

Complete an online form to see if you or someone you know is eligible: https://secure.aao.org/forms/ecareferral

American Glaucoma Society (AGS) Cares American Glaucoma Society

655 Beach Street

San Francisco, CA 94109 Phone: (415) 561-8587 Fax: (415) 561-8531

Email: ags@aao.org

https://www.americanglaucomasociety.net/patient-family-resources/

ags-cares

AGS Cares is a public service program of the AGS Foundation that is dedicated to providing surgical glaucoma care at no cost to uninsured patients who qualify for such care. Glaucoma care is provided by members of a national network of volunteers comprising glaucoma surgeons who are AGS active or provisional members.

Medicare - Glaucoma Benefits

Office of External Affairs

7500 Security Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21244

Phone: (800) MEDICARE (633-4227)

https://medicare.gov

Medicare beneficiaries, family members, and caregivers can visit https://medicare.gov, the Official U.S. Government Site for People with Medicare, for the latest information on Medicare enrollment, benefits, and other helpful tools.

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Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance)

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) covers glaucoma tests once every 12 months if you meet the high-risk criteria for glaucoma.

You are considered at high-risk for glaucoma if one or more of these applies to you:

- You have diabetes
- · You have a family history of glaucoma
- You are African American and age 50 or older
- You are Hispanic and age 65 or older

You are responsible 20% of Medicare's payment to the provider for the services or, if care is sought in a hospital outpatient setting, a standard copayment. The Part B deductible applies to these services. If your doctor recommends you receive services more often than is allowable under Medicare or recommends services that are not provided under Medicare, you may need to pay all costs.

Be sure to ask your provider about these costs before you receive treatment.

The tests to screen for glaucoma include:

- 1. Dilated eye examination
- 2. Intraocular pressure measurement
- 3. Direct ophthalmoscopic examination, or a slit-lamp biomicroscopic examination

For more information, visit:

https://medicare.gov/coverage/glaucoma-screenings

Prescription Drug Benefits (Medicare Part D)

All Medicare beneficiaries should know that help is available for the costs of prescription drugs, including those taken for their eyes. It is important to follow your eye doctor's instructions for how often to take eye medications. Missed dosages can lead to increased risk of vision loss.

Medicare prescription drug coverage is an optional benefit offered to everyone who has Medicare. This includes eye medications. You must enroll to access this benefit. Note, there are penalties for people who miss enrollment deadlines.

Medicare plans will vary depending on where you live, and each plan is different. This can be confusing, but there are resources which can help you to understand your choices.

MEDICARE: Extra Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs

https://ssa.gov/medicare/part-d-extra-help

Medicare beneficiaries can qualify for Extra Help with their Medicare prescription drug plan costs. To qualify for the Extra Help, a person must be receiving Medicare, have limited resources and income, and reside in one of the 50 States or the District of Columbia.

For further assistance with the program, visit the PAN Foundation website:

https://panfoundation.org/extrahelp

For more information about Medicare Benefits & Your Eyes, visit:

https://preventblindness.org/medicare-benefits-your-eyes

Prescription Savings

Blink Health

Phone: (844) 265-6444 Email: <u>info@blinkhealth.com</u> https://blinkhealth.com

Blink Health provides discounted prescription prices on over 15,000 medications. Pay online and pick up at any of their 35,000+ participating pharmacies nationwide, or get your Rx delivered right to your door. Online doctor visits are offered for select conditions.

Cost Plus Drug Company

Email: <u>info@costplusdrugs.com</u> https://costplusdrugs.com

Cost Plus Drug Company offers hundreds of prescription medications at affordable prices. Find out if your medication is available by searching the name of the drug at https://costplusdrugs.com/medications.

GoodRx

https://goodrx.com

GoodRx keeps up with changes in prescription prices across 70,000 pharmacies in the U.S., so you know you are always paying the best price either through GoodRx coupons, manufacturer copay cards, or insurance.

NeedyMeds, Inc.

50 Whittemore St. Gloucester, MA 01930 Helpline: (800) 503-6897 Fax: (206) 260-8850 https://needymeds.org

They provide information obtained directly from the drug manufacturers regarding special programs to assist people who can't afford to buy the drugs they need.

RxAssist

Email: info@rxaassist.org

RxAssist is an online resource center that provides information about free and low-cost medicine programs and other ways to manage your medication costs. Visit https://rxassist.org to print a prescription discount card and browse the database of patient assistance programs.

RxHope

https://rxhope.com/home.aspx

RxHope provides help to people in need in obtaining critical medications that they would normally have trouble affording. RxHope acts as your advocate in making the patient assistance program journey easier and faster by supplying vital information and help.

Prescription Savings (continued)

Rx Outreach

Phone: (888) 796-1234 https://rxoutreach.org

Rx Outreach offers more than 1,000 medications via mail order that cover most chronic diseases for 30, 60, 90, or 180 days at a time. Rx Outreach is available to qualifying individuals and families whose income is at or below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level. Patients can quickly check their Eligibility online. Patients can be on Medicare, Medicaid, or other health insurance and still qualify for Rx Outreach.

SingleCare

Phone: (844) 234-3057 24/7 except major holidays Email: support@singlecare.com

https://singlecare.com

SingleCare is a free-to-use prescription discount service. You can search for coupons for your medications, print a prescription discount card, or download the app at https://singlecare.com

Other Resources

BenefitsCheckUp®

https://benefitscheckup.org

BenefitsCheckUp® connects millions of older adults and people with disabilities with benefits programs that can help pay for health care, medicine, food, utilities, and more. See what's available in your area by entering your ZIP code on the webpage.

Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT)

Phone: (571) 350-8643

https://medicineassistancetool.org

PhRMA's Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT) is a search engine designed to help patients, caregivers and health care providers learn more about the resources available through the various biopharmaceutical industry programs. MAT is not its own patient assistance program, but rather a search engine for many of the patient assistance resources that the biopharmaceutical industry offers.

Nanodropper

https://nanodropper.com/gtgov-apply

Nanodropper is a volume-reducing adaptor for eyedrop bottles.

The company offers the **Give the Gift of Vision** program where they provide free Nanodropper Adaptors for those in need through an application process.

Other Resources (continued)

PAN Foundation

P.O. Box 30500 Bethesda, MD 20824

Phone: (866) 316-PANF (7263)

Email: contact@patientaccessnetwork.org

https://panfoundation.org

The Patient Access Network (PAN Foundation) is dedicated to helping people living with life-threatening, chronic and rare diseases with the out-of-pocket costs for their prescribed medications. PAN provides the underinsured population access to the healthcare treatments they need to best manage their conditions and focus on improving their quality of life.

Created by the PAN Foundation, FundFinder is a web-based app designed to help patients with life-threatening, chronic or rare diseases quickly find financial assistance. To learn more about FundFinder, visit: https://fundfinder.panfoundation.org

Transportation Assistance: In addition, the PAN Foundation Transportation Assistance program provides financial support to patients with life-threatening, chronic, or rare conditions so they can access affordable and reliable transportation to and from their medical treatments and pharmacy. To learn more about the Transportation Assistance program, visit: https://panfoundation.org/funds/transportation

