GEOGRAPHIC ATROPHY (GA): Checklist for Patient Management



GA affects **~1.5 million people in the United States,**¹ but it is believed that **only ~25% of patients are currently diagnosed.**² With increased awareness of GA, along with an aging population, more patients may be turning to you for support.

As more patients with GA look to retina specialists, consider:

STAFF KNOWLEDGE

- Educating on GA and how it differs from other eye conditions
- Recognizing key hallmarks/biomarkers for diagnosis and progression
- Aligning on patient management and care

PRACTICE LOGISTICS

- Identifying and flagging patients with GA
- Establishing a practice workflow for new and returning patients with GA
- Developing protocols and frequency for initial and follow-up imaging

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

- Sharing accurate coding for GA diagnosis and monitoring
- Aligning on scheduling/timing of follow-up patient visits
- Providing in-office practice support

PATIENT SUPPORT

- Providing education on GA upon diagnosis
- Explaining disease progression and the importance of monitoring symptoms
- Discussing management strategies



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