



## FOCUS ON EYE HEALTH

Taking good care of your eyes can help you maintain good overall health as you grow older

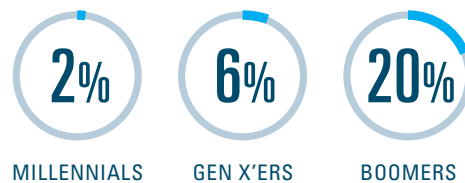
### ABOUT 6.4 MILLION BCBS MEMBERS HAD A SERIOUS VISION OR EYE CONDITION



**SERIOUS VISION &  
EYE CONDITIONS**

- Cataracts
- Eye Injury
- Glaucoma

#### MEMBER IMPACT BY GENERATION:




Members with a serious vision or eye condition spend between **40 and 90 percent more** on overall health care costs than others of their generation

### POOR EYE HEALTH CAN AFFECT YOU LONG-TERM

Members diagnosed with serious vision or eye conditions are:

**2x**   
**AS LIKELY** to visit the ER or have a hospital stay

**MORE LIKELY TO SUFFER FROM** a neurological condition, autoimmune disease, stroke, renal failure and diabetes 

A serious vision or eye condition may result in a loss of up to

**2+ YEARS OF HEALTHY LIFE**



Vision visits are **down 18% since last year** due to COVID-19<sup>1</sup>

Source: [BCBS Health Index 2018](#). Commercially insured BCBS members. Analysis only includes vision or eye conditions identified through medical claims.

<sup>1</sup>Source: BCBSA. Generational Survey, September 2020.