

# **Eye on Health**

## **Free Eye Exams For Uninsured**

(NAPSA)—Glaucoma, a leading cause of blindness in the U.S., gradually steals sight without warning or, often, symptoms. Nearly three million people have glaucoma, but half don't know it.



**Many uninsured Americans are seeing their way clear to a free eye exam that may save their sight.**

EyeCare America, the public service foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, offers medical eye services through its national Glaucoma EyeCare Program. It promotes early detection and treatment, raises awareness of risk factors, provides free educational materials and facilitates access to a glaucoma eye examination. The program is for U.S. citizens or legal residents who have not had an eye exam in 12 months or more and are at risk for glaucoma.

They get an eye exam and treatment, if necessary. People with insurance will be billed. Uninsured patients get the care free. Call 1-800-391-3937 (EYES) to see if you are eligible for this service.

The eye care for the medically underserved comes from 7500 volunteer ophthalmologists across the U.S.

Learn more at: [www.eyecareamerica.org](http://www.eyecareamerica.org).