DR Barometer
Shifting the needle

The DR Barometer Study: **Spain Overview**

The DR Barometer study was conducted in 41 countries. In Spain, 97 adults with diabetes and 152 health care professionals provided new information about the experiences of living with, managing and treating diabetes, DR and DME.

52%

of patients said that **long wait times for an appointment** were a barrier to eye exams

20%

of all providers **did not have written protocols/guidelines** for detection and management of diabetes-related vision loss available

DR: Diabetic Retinopathy
DME: Diabetic Macular Edema

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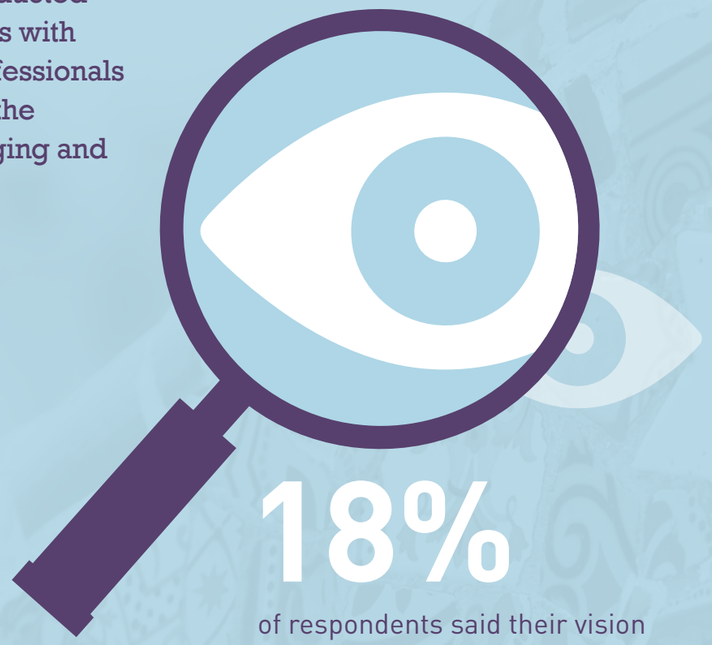

18%

of respondents said their vision impairment due to DR or DME made it **difficult to manage their diabetes**

80%

of patients with vision loss due to DR or DME said that their condition made everyday activities, **such as driving**, working and completing basic household tasks difficult and in some cases impossible

16%

of ophthalmologists **had not received specific training** in the treatment and diagnosis of DR and or DME

80%

of those with DME experienced days of **poor physical and mental health**

20%

of patients either **never discussed eye complications with their doctor** or did so only after the onset of symptoms