

HELP YOUR ALLERGY SUFFERERS AND RECOUP COSTS



ALLERGIC RHINITIS IS A PROBLEM

40-60 MILLION

suffer either seasonally or perennially from allergic rhinitis (hay fever).¹



18.5% of the US Population



COST OF ALLERGIC RHINITIS

Study of over 8,267 US employees from 47 different employers found:



55%

of those studied reported experiencing allergic rhinitis



52.5

days a year on average that allergic rhinitis was experienced



2.3+

unproductive hours per work day when experiencing symptoms.⁵



MOST COSTLY DISEASE

when factoring in the cost of lost productivity due to both absenteeism and presenteeism.⁶

Missed or Unproductive Work Hours

115 HOURS	460 HOURS
YEAR 1	TREATMENT CYCLE*

Opportunity Cost of Missed or Unproductive Work Hours

\$1,726	\$6,903
YEAR 1	TREATMENT CYCLE*

These are per employee costs assuming a 40 hour work week and a pay rate of \$15 an hour.

*Treatment Cycle Costs assume an average of 4 year treatment cycle. Treatment cycles range from 3-5 years based on patient response to treatment.

TWO PREVALENT FORMS OF TREATMENT

Over-the Counter or Prescription allergy medication:

A 1997 study of 3,394 members of a health maintenance organization to determine medication usage's effect on work related injuries concluded that **the risk of injury for an employee was elevated at a statistically significant level when they used sedating antihistamines, a common treatment for allergic rhinitis.**³



54%

higher risk of dementia

A 2015 study of nearly 3,500 participants 65+ found evidence that those who took "anticholinergic" allergy medications like Benadryl for three(+) years had a **54% higher risk of dementia.**⁶

Subcutaneous Immunotherapy (Shots):

Allergy shots have been the standard of care for some time but a 2011 clinical study on the comparative **efficacy of shots versus drops** when used to treat allergic rhinitis found that there was **equal reduction of symptoms** for runny nose, sneezing, nasal obstruction, itchy eyes, or shortness of breath **when comparing the two treatment methods.**¹



Shots require weekly or semi-monthly visits to a clinic to receive injections.



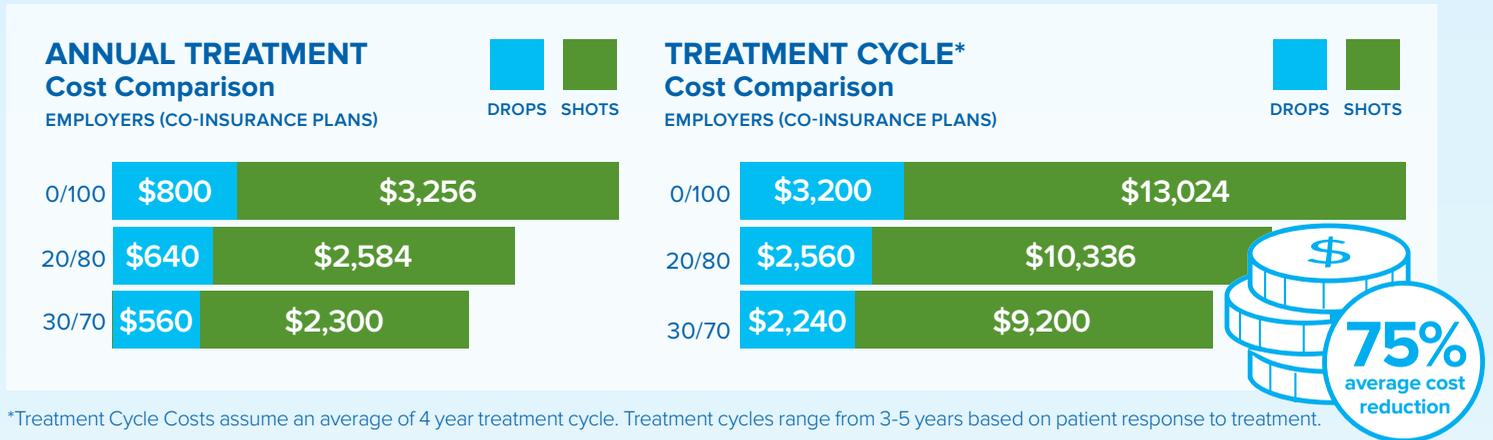
In a 2011 survey of Allergists, **66.7% of respondents believed that SLIT (under the tongue delivery) was safer than SCIT (injections)**²



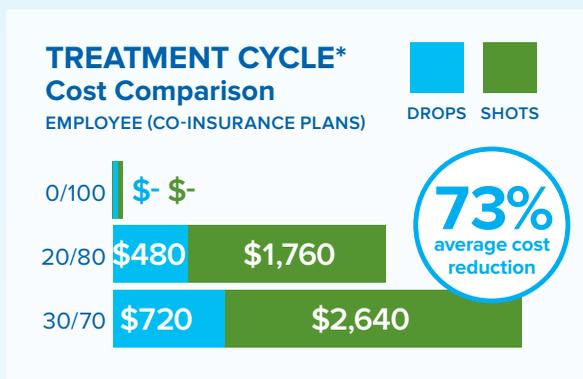
SUBLINGUAL IMMUNOTHERAPY (DROPS)

Allergy drops have been used for more than 100 years. They can be administered to patients as young as two years old, and are easily taken at home with just three drops under the tongue each day. Allergy drops allow patients to avoid taking time off from work or school for regular office visits and no injections means no pain for patients and higher treatment retention.

EMPLOYER TREATMENT COST COMPARISON



Employee Treatment Cost Comparison



WHY PARTNER WITH TEXAN ALLERGY?

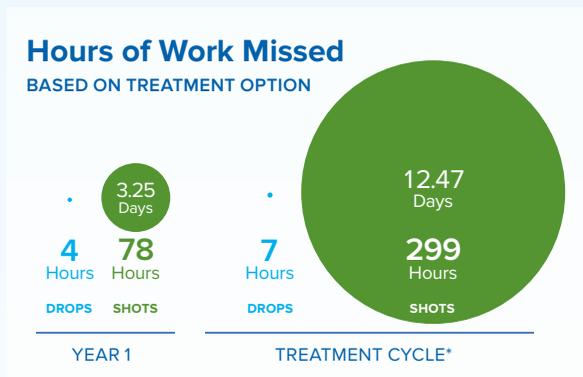
Texan Allergy was created to address the needs of the many Texans who suffer from allergies and simply didn't want to come into an office to get their allergy shot each week.

We employ some of the top allergy experts in Texas and focus on patient education on how to control allergy symptoms. This leads to a dramatic improvement in quality of life,

mitigating time away from work and activities they enjoy.

Each allergy test is administered under the direct supervision of one of our experienced providers delivering same day testing results and a structured patient specific treatment plan during a one time 90 minute testing appointment **with no prior consultation required.**

Work Loss Comparison



INTERESTED IN THIS UNIQUE BENEFIT?

Contact Texan Allergy & Sinus Center's Employer Benefits Team and we will work with your staff and any brokered benefits partners to negotiate with your insurance provider on your behalf. We will then develop a plan that helps accomplish your wellness goals.

TO LEARN MORE PLEASE CONTACT US AT:

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