

## *A Multidisciplinary Approach to Improving the Treatment of Allergic Rhinitis in the Managed Care Population*

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<b>AAN</b>	American Academy of Neurology
<b>AHCPR</b>	Agency for Health Care Policy and Research
<b>AWP</b>	Average wholesale price
<b>CABG</b>	Coronary artery bypass graft
<b>CT</b>	Computed tomography
<b>ECHO</b>	Economic, Clinical, and Humanistic Outcomes
<b>ENT</b>	Ear, nose, and throat
<b>EOC</b>	Episodes of Care®
<b>MCD</b>	Managed Care Database Network
<b>NSAID</b>	Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug
<b>QOL</b>	Quality of life
<b>RAST</b>	Radioallergosorbent test
<b>RQLQ</b>	Rhinoconjunctivitis Quality of Life Questionnaire
<b>RVU</b>	Relative value unit
<b>SAR</b>	Seasonal allergic rhinitis
<b>SSRI</b>	Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor
<b>WPAI-AS</b>	Work Productivity and Activity Impairment Index-Allergy Specific

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