



BARRIERS TO TREATMENT OF SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

Serious mental illnesses are chronic conditions that require comprehensive treatment plans.

Despite the personal and social costs of untreated SMI,

patients still face barriers

to accessing proper treatment, such as:



Utilization management practices



Medicaid coverage restrictions



Public stigma and indifference



Patient adherence to medication



Access barriers isolate patients

from the clinicians, treatments and support systems they need to have a better quality of life.

Access barriers shouldn't complicate treatment for patients with SMI.