



## Horizon Therapeutics Recognizes Second Annual Thyroid Eye Disease (TED) Awareness Week with New Educational and Community Building Initiative

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– Campaign helps people know their risks and identify the signs and symptoms of TED to encourage early diagnosis and management –

DUBLIN--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 15, 2021-- Horizon Therapeutics plc (Nasdaq: HZNP) today announced its support of Thyroid Eye Disease (TED) Awareness Week through the launch of new educational resources designed to help people *IdentifEYE TED*, with a focus on symptoms, risks and where to seek care. In its second year, TED Awareness Week (Nov. 14 - Nov. 20) brings much-needed attention to this serious, progressive and potentially vision-threatening rare autoimmune disease that is often misdiagnosed for more common conditions.<sup>1</sup>

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Up to 50% of people with Graves' disease may develop Thyroid Eye Disease (TED). Are you experiencing any of the following symptoms?

REDNESS, EYE BULGING, DOUBLE VISION, VERY DRY EYES, LIGHT SENSITIVITY, EYE PAIN, EYELID SWELLING, EYE GRITTIENESS, WATERY EYES

If yes, learn more and find a TED Specialist at [www.FOCUSonTED.com](http://www.FOCUSonTED.com)

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and their families – both physical and emotional – that come with the condition,” said Tim Walbert, chairman, president and chief executive officer, Horizon. “We’re incredibly proud to continue working with the TED and advocacy communities on this effort to expand Thyroid Eye Disease Awareness Week in its second year to help people recognize Thyroid Eye Disease more quickly, locate a specialist, and get the care they need.”

Up to 50% of people living with Graves’ disease may develop TED; however, TED is a separate disease requiring separate treatment.<sup>2,3,4</sup> Symptoms include eye grittiness, redness, swelling and pain, light sensitivity, eye bulging and double vision.<sup>2,3</sup> Symptoms of TED can often be misdiagnosed or confused for other diseases, resulting in delayed diagnosis and treatment. For those with Graves’ disease or other thyroid conditions, it’s important to pay close attention to your eyes. At the first sign of any changes, contact a TED Specialist, such as an oculoplastic surgeon or neuro-ophthalmologist.

TED Awareness Week was first established in 2020 through a shared commitment from Horizon Therapeutics and patient advocacy organizations including the [Autoimmune Association](#) (formerly American Autoimmune Related Diseases Association, or AARDA), the [Alliance for Eye and Vision Research](#) (AEVR), the [Graves’ Disease and Thyroid Foundation](#) (GDATF) and [Prevent Blindness](#). This year, several states including California, Arizona, Massachusetts, New York and Illinois are officially recognizing TED Awareness Week by adopting state resolutions or issuing proclamations. Signaling the growing need for increased public education about this physically and emotionally debilitating disease, state level recognition of TED Awareness Week invites more community involvement and support for people and families affected by TED.

“My journey to diagnosis with Thyroid Eye Disease was long and frustrating, as it can be for many people,” said Gail S., patient advocate living with TED. “I was told my eye symptoms were just part of my Graves’ disease, but it wasn’t until I saw a TED Specialist that I learned it was actually Thyroid Eye Disease. The more we can do to help people quickly recognize the symptoms, the faster they can get help.”

For TED Awareness Week 2021, Horizon is launching *IdentifEYE TED*, an educational campaign designed to help people promptly identify the signs and symptoms of TED. Activities will include:

- The launch of a *Listen to Your Eyes* [YouTube](#) channel with videos of real people from the TED community sharing tips about how to identify TED, their journeys to diagnosis, and how to prepare for an appointment with a TED Specialist
- New episodes on the *Listen to Your Eyes* [podcast](#) (available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify and more) featuring informative discussions between people living with TED, TED experts and advocacy leaders
- An [infographic](#) outlining common TED symptoms and risks, and how to seek the right care
- New resources on [www.FOCUSonTED.com](http://www.FOCUSonTED.com), as well as on the *Listen to Your Eyes* [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages

“We’ve learned so much from the Thyroid Eye Disease community over the past few years and have become acutely aware of the challenges for people



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