



## **BLIND AND LOSS OF VISION**

Visual impairments are disorders in the function of the eyes that have not been adequately corrected by medical or surgical intervention, therapy, or conventional eyewear. Individuals with visual disorders may not have any usable vision or the vision may be significantly limited.

### **Specific documentation requirements for visual disorders include the following:**

- General documentation guidelines listed in [Appendix D of the Academic and Student Affairs Handbook](http://www.usg.edu/academic_affairs_handbook/section3/C793). ([http://www.usg.edu/academic\\_affairs\\_handbook/section3/C793](http://www.usg.edu/academic_affairs_handbook/section3/C793))
- Documentation should reflect data collected within three years of the request for services unless the condition is of a permanent and non-varying nature. However, if additional accommodations are requested due to changes in functional limitations, updated documentation may be requested.
- A diagnosis consistent with the most recent DSM/ICD, if appropriate.
- Description of the history, current symptoms, and severity of the disorder, (e.g., ocular report).
- Description of the expected progression or stability of the disorder.
- Description of the current functional limitations impacting the student in the academic setting.