# Challenges in Prescribing PCSK9 Inhibitors



## SURVEY FINDINGS

#### WHAT

The National Lipid Association developed a 170-question online survey to collect and study healthcare providers' experiences around the Proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 9 (PCSK9) inhibitor prescription approval process.

#### -WHEN

August 26 through
October 14, 2016



#### VX/HO

434

Providers and personnel working with patients that have lipid disorders\*

370

Respondents prescribe medication

60%

Of respondents have been in their position more than 11 years 80%

Of respondents see more than 25 patients requiring drug therapy for lipid disorders per month

### WHAT WE FOUND

96% Of respondents with patients with atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) have had initial denials on PCSK9 inhibitor prescriptions

**97%** Of respondents take further action after getting a denial for a PCSK9 inhibitor prescription





43%

Of respondents were successful, after all appeals, in attaining approval 75% or more of the time for their patients with Familial Hypercholesterolemia (FH)

ONLY 36%

Of respondents were successful, after all appeals, in attaining approval 75% or more of the time for their patients with ASCVD

**70%** Of respondents wait more than 30 days from time of writing the PCSK9 inhibitor prescription to fulfillment of first prescription for their patients with FH

**50%** Of respondents spend more than 1 hour per week on each patient's prior authorization