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Notice of Vision and Medical Plan Distinction

- A vision insurance policy is different from your health insurance policy. Medical health insurance helps protect you from costs for eye disease or unexpected eye injury. In contrast, vision insurance provides an added wellness benefit for healthy eye exams, which includes routine eye care, prescription eyewear and contact lenses. Some examples of vision insurance include Vision Service Plan, Spectera and Eyemed. **Medical and Vision Insurance can never be billed simultaneously, nor can they be combined to cover what the other plan does not cover.**
- **Vision plan insurance is for “routine” eye examinations (eye refractions) and materials;** most plans permit vision insurance to be used one time per calendar year. The exam and refraction are combined.
- **Medical insurance plans are utilized for any medical related issues that pertain to new medical diagnoses, following or monitoring of existing diagnoses – such as floaters, dry eyes, cataracts, glaucoma, macular degeneration, etc.**
- Vision plans are not supplemental plans and cannot be treated as such.
- **Most medical health plans do not generally cover Refractions, and this would be an out-of-pocket expense of \$45.**
- It is advised that you review your benefits and know the coverage terms and limitations before being seen.
- **Medical and vision plans will not be billed according to the patient’s preference or for their financial benefit. The appropriate plan will be billed based on the reason for the visit and corresponding documentation. All coding is final and is determined while with the provider.**

My signature acknowledges that I have read and understand the information above

Patient Signature

Date