



**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 can never be billed simultaneously for the same service.
- 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.
- Some medical insurance plans allow for one routine examination per calendar year and often cover the diagnosis codes for myopia, hyperopia (sometimes referred to as hypermetropia), astigmatism, and presbyopia.
- 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. **All coding is final and determined while with the provider.**

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

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**Patient Name**

**Chart #**

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**Patient Signature**

**Date**

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