

## **Coordination of Benefits**

There are two types of health insurance that will help pay for your eye care services and optical products. You may have both types and Wichryk Eye Associates accepts most insurance plans in both categories:

- 1) Vision plans (such as VSP, Eyemed, NVA and others)
  - Vision plans can only be billed for routine vision wellness exams, along with eyeglasses and contact lenses. Vision plans do not cover medical eye care (the diagnosis, management, or treatment of eye health problems).

For instance, if you are in for a vision exam, but want the doctor to address an eye concern such as watery or teary eyes, fluctuating vision, flashes or floaters, concerns about cataracts, glaucoma, or macular degeneration, including family history questions, this is only billable to medical insurances (not billable to vision plans).

- 2) Medical Insurance (such as Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Medicare and others)
  - Medical Insurance must be used for medical eye care.

## Should both types of services be necessary:

- Some insurance plans will allow for **Coordination of Benefits**. If your insurance plans do, we will provide both services at the same visit.
- If your insurances do not allow **Coordination of Benefits**, then your services will need to be performed at two different appointments or if applicable, you can opt to pay the refraction fee at the time of your medical service.

If some fees are not paid by your insurance, such as deductibles, co-pays, or non-covered services per your contract with your insurance, we will bill you your responsible portion.

Please provide your insurance card(s) to our staff member so we can scan them into your record. We need to have your medical insurance card or Medicare card on file incase we should need it in the future for billing your insurance on your behalf.

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Print name	
Patient Signature (Parent of Guardian if Minor)	