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Eye Exams - Routine

Also known as

- 1. Annual eye exam
- 2. Vision exam
- 3. Yearly eye exam

Description

A routine eye exam is an office visit to check vision, screen for eye disease, and/or update a corrective eyewear (glasses or contacts) prescription. It also typically includes a simple screening for glaucoma as well as a simple visual field test. The glaucoma and visual field test will not be billed separately, but globally with the eye exam charge.

A refraction exam is usually given as part of a routine eye exam, but is billed separately. Refraction may also be called a vision test. This is a test that determines what vision correction (prescription) is required for corrective eyewear.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- <u>Eyewear Non-Refractive Lenses</u> Eyeglasses and contact lenses prescribed for the non-refractive reasons.
- <u>Eyewear Refractive Lenses (Prescribed for Vision Correction)</u> Eyeglasses and contact lenses prescribed solely for vision correction.
- Refractive Eye Surgery Surgery to correct a person's vision.
- <u>Visual Field Exam</u> Test to check central and peripheral vision.

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Commercial

Introduction

This section applies to all Commercial brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Mayo Medical Plan (MMP), Medica (including MHPS), and Prevea360.

Benefits (all except MMP)

Will be listed separately under routine annual eye exam benefits.

- If not listed separately, excluded from coverage.
 - **Health Care Reform**: As part of HCR, eye exams are covered as preventive up to age 5, even if they are listed as excluded.
- Limit: If a limit applies, the plan will list the limit.
- Legacy MHPS groups: Quote preventive health care benefits.
 - Check the plan document for coverage, limits, or exclusions.
- Small group members: Pediatric Vision services covered for members under age 19.
- **ACO**: It is preferred members use an ACO provider. They can also see an INN Elect/Essential provider for INN benefits. Refer to <u>ACO Network Guidelines Chart</u>.
- Elect/Essential: Referrals are not required, members should use an INN provider to receive INN benefits.
- Eyewear: Check QRG and/or refer to HR to see if they have a vision vendor for eyewear.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.
- ISET Incorrect claim payment: Refer to <u>Claims Adjustments</u> for appropriate CPE.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Quote preventive health care benefits.

- Limit: If a limit applies, the policy will list the limit.
- Mayo Basic, Select, and Premier: Exam portion covered as preventive for members 7 years and older.
 - Exam portion of pediatric vision services covered for members through age 6.
 - Refractive portion not covered through medical.
 - Refractive exam may be covered through a vision vendor.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.

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Government Programs

Introduction

This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.

AccessAbility (SNBC),

Medicaid only groups:

• Refer to Medicaid below.

Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Medicare eligible groups:

- Quote Vision Care or Optical Services benefits.
 - Limit: Once per calendar year.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to <a>Eye <a>Exams Medical.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare is the primary payer.
- If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. Refer to Medicaid below.

AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC),

DUAL (MSHO)

Quote Vision Care or Optical Services benefits.

- Limit: Once per calendar year.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.
- Medica is the only payer.

Cost (Prime)

Quote Vision Care or Optical Services benefits.

- This is a non-Medicare covered preventive service, Medica is the only payer.
- Limit: The Plan will pay for one (1) routine eye exam, including refraction, per calendar year.
- The member can receive up to two (2) refractions per calendar year (excludes Thrift).
- **Provider**: Members MUST use an INN Medica provider when in the MSA.
- Extended Absence Option: Members will only be able to see an OON provider. They can submit a claim to Medica for reimbursement. They may be responsible for charges above plan payment.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.

Med Advantage

Quote Vision Care or Supplemental Vision benefits.

- This is a non-Medicare covered preventive service, Medica is the only payer.
- Limit: The Plan will pay for one (1) routine eye exam, including refraction, per calendar year.
 - The member can receive up to two (2) refractions per calendar year.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to <u>Eye Exams Medical</u>.
- Medica is the only payer.

Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Coverage depends on the member's plan.

Plan	Benefits
Select	Quote professional services benefits.
	• Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams - Medical.
	Follows Medicare guidelines.
	Medicare supplement.
	Medicare is the primary payer.
Signature	Not covered, unless additional Rider applies.
	- Rider 4: Covered up to \$120 annually.
	Extended Basic: Covered up to \$120 annually.
	• Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams - Medical.
	Follows Medicare guidelines.
	Medicare supplement.
	Medicare is the primary payer.
	 Medica is the only payer for THIS service.

Medicaid

Quote office visit or outpatient hospital benefits.

- The diagnosis code on the claim determines if a copay applies.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.

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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

Introduction

This section applies to all Individual and Family Business (IFB) brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Medica, Medica (formerly WellFirst), and Prevea360.

Benefits

Will be listed separately under routine vision benefits.

- Limit: If a limit applies, the policy will list the limit.
- Medical or diabetic eye exam: Refer to Eye Exams Medical.

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