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Eye Exams - Medical

Also known as

- 1. Diabetic eye exam
- 2. Glaucoma eye exam

Description

A medical (including diabetic) eye exam is a disease-focused exam performed to follow up or monitor a known or suspected condition. The provider may bill separately for further tests performed at the same time, including a more comprehensive glaucoma testing or a formal <u>visual field exam</u>.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- <u>Diabetes Navigator</u> Benefit considerations related to diabetes.
- Eye Exams Routine Measures a person's ability to see an object at a specific distance.
- <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>Scanning Laser Technologies for Retina and Optic Nerve Imaging</u> Test for detecting and monitoring retina and optic nerve disease.
- <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)

Quote office visit or outpatient hospital benefits.

- ACO: An ACO provider must be used for INN benefits.
- Elect/Essential: See Elect and Essential Referral Guidelines Chart. Referral required if provider is not in the Care System.
- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Quote office visit or outpatient hospital benefits.

• Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams - Routine.

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Government Programs

Introduction

This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.

AccessAbility (SNBC),

Medicaid only groups:

• See Medicaid below.

Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Medicare eligible groups:

- Quote professional services.
- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare is the primary payer.
- If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. See Medicaid below.

AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC),

Quote professional services.

- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.
- Medica is the only payer.

Cost (Prime)

Quote professional services.

- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.

Med Advantage

Quote professional services.

- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medica is the only payer.

Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Quote professional services.

- **Glaucoma tests**: Covered when a member is at high risk for glaucoma (diabetes, a family history of glaucoma, African American and 50 or older, or Hispanic and 65 or older).
- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare supplement.
- Medicare is the primary payer.

Medicaid

Quote office visit or outpatient hospital benefits.

• Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams - Routine.

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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

Quote office visit or outpatient hospital benefits.

- **Refractive portion**: If the member's Policy excludes adult eye exams, the refractive portion is not covered, even if the primary diagnosis is medical (including diabetic).
- Routine or refractive eye exam: See Eye Exams Routine.

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