

## VISION VS. MEDICAL INSURANCE

We often have patients that have both vision and medical insurance. They are very different in terms of the service they cover, and we feel it is important for our patients to understand those differences. Vision coverage is mainly designed to determine a prescription for glasses or contact lenses, and to evaluate generally healthy eyes. It is not designed to deal with medical conditions, diagnoses, and/or treatment plans. When a medical diagnosis or condition is present (such as diabetes, glaucoma, dry eyes, conjunctivitis, or other eye diseases) it is necessary to file the visit with your major medical carrier, and the co-pays for that insurance will apply as well as any non-covered service. Our office does not make these rules, they are defined by the insurance carriers themselves. There is no way to know prior to the examination which type of insurance our office will be able to file for you. In the event that we do not take your major medical/vision insurance, we will provide you with an itemized receipt so that you may file with your carrier for reimbursement. If you have any questions, we are more than happy to assist you.

Medical (Specialist) Copay: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Vision Copay: \$\_\_\_\_\_

I understand the paragraph above and authorize Eyecare on the Square to file my insurance.

Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_