



## About Your Insurance

There are two types of health insurance that will help pay for your eye care services and products. You may have both, and our practice accepts both:

1. Vision care plans (EyeMed, VSP, Davis, etc.)
  2. Medical insurance (Medicare, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, United Health Care, etc.)
- Vision care plans only cover routine vision exams along with eyeglasses and contact lenses. Vision plans only cover a basic screening for eye disease. They do not cover diagnosis, management, or treatment of eye diseases.
  - Medical insurance must be used if you have any eye health problem or systemic health problem that has ocular complications (cataracts, dry eyes, floaters, glaucoma, diabetes, eye pain, foreign body, red eyes, etc.). Your doctor will determine if these conditions apply to you, but some are determined by your case history.
  - If you have both types of insurance plans, it may be necessary for us to bill some services to one plan and other services to the other. We will use coordination of benefits to do this properly and attempt to minimize your out-of-pocket expense.
  - We will bill your insurance plan for services if we are a participating provider for that plan. We will try to obtain advanced authorization of your insurance benefits so we can tell you what is covered. If some fees are not paid by your plan, we will bill you for any unpaid deductibles, copays, or non-covered services as allowed by the insurance contract.

## A Statement Regarding Dilation of Your Eyes

We would like to inform our patients that it may be necessary during the course of your exam to dilate your eyes with drops. In some people, the dilating drops cause blurred vision, light sensitivity, and inability to read. These problems go away as the effects of the drops wear off. This usually lasts about 4 hours. You should be careful walking, going up and down stairs, and should not drive a car. In very rare cases, the drops may cause elevated eye pressure requiring further treatment, or serious allergic reaction. It is for this reason that we recommend someone come with you as a driver at the time of your exam. Additionally, although dilation drops have not been proven to have any adverse effects on babies, we recommend pregnant women decline dilation. Also, for your comfort, you may obtain dark glasses at the reception desk

## Consent to Treat

By signing this form, I consent treatment for myself and/or on behalf of the minor for which this information pertains. I give permission for the doctor(s) to examine, diagnose, and initiate treatment as deemed appropriate. I further attest that I am the parent/legal guardian of the minor and have the authority to authorize care and treatment. I acknowledge I am fully aware of Tarr Family Eyecare Notice of Privacy Practices & Financial Policy.

I have read and agree with the above policies.

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Patient Signature (parent if child)

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Date

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