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## **Financial and Privacy Policy**

Thank you for choosing Medical Vision Technology for your eye care. Our goal is to provide you with the highest quality medical services. This statement outlines our policies regarding billing, payment, and privacy. Please read and sign this statement before you receive treatment from our practice.

PAYMENT FOR ROUTINE VISION EXAMS AND REFRACTIONS ARE DUE AT THE TIME OF SERVICE WE ACCEPT CASH, CHECKS, VISA/MASTERCARD & DISCOVER; AMERICAN EXPRESS, DEBIT CARDS. We reserves the right to reschedule routine appointments when payment is not available at time of service.

Patients are responsible for making sure the services they received are paid for. We contract with many but not all insurance plans. Please check your Insurance Handbook, website or contact your Insurance Company directly. If you receive treatment from a doctor that is not contracted with your insurance, the insurance may pay a lower rate or not pay anything at all. Taking a copy of your insurance card or accepting a co-pay does NOT mean we accept payment at a contracted rate. You must provide us with your current insurance card(s) at the time of your visit. You are authorizing us to release all information necessary to secure payment for benefits. We will bill your insurance company for you, but cannot promise the charge will be paid in full by your insurance carrier. Patients are responsible for all deductible payments and patient balances that remain after the insurance company has responded to the charges associated with your service date. All charges are ultimately the patients' responsibility.

## Vision Service Plan (VSP), MES, EyeMed, Davis Vision; Safeguard, Always care, and Superior Vision:

We accept these vision plans. When scheduling your appointment, you must let us know that you have this coverage so we can obtain prior authorization. Vision insurances will cover a routine exam and may also offer a material benefit which covers a portion of your glasses or contact lens expenses. You are responsible for any co-pays and non-covered charges. They will NOT cover a contact lens evaluation. Our practice performs this evaluation every year for our contact lens patients. The current fee is \$35. Contact lens fitting fees start at \$75.00 and can go up to \$350 for specialty lenses and is required if you've never worn contacts, change the type of contact, were fitted elsewhere and do not have current lens information. If the exam results in a medical diagnosis, we will coordinate benefits through your medical insurance first and bill Vision carrier for the refraction. Refractions are the portion of the exam that determines the prescription for glasses and is not covered by most health insurance plans, including Medicare. Vision plans cover it. You will be asked to pay the \$35 fee if you do not have a vision plan.

Your co-pay must be paid at the time of your visit. Your Insurance Company mandates that we collect co-payments at the time of your visit

We are pleased to see private-pay patients. If you do not have insurance, please be prepared to pay for your visit at time of service. If you are referred to us for an emergency and will not be able to pay for your visit, please ask to speak with our Billing Office when making your appointment. If you have other special circumstance, call our office at least 24 hours before your appointment. We will work with you.

<u>We expect you to keep your account current</u>. If your insurance company has not paid your medical claim within 60 days of service, you will be billed for the balance on your account. If you are unable to make a payment, please be sure to contact our Billing Office. All accounts past due for 90 days are sent to a professional collection agency.

Signature of Responsible Party	Date