

Introduction

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Optometrists

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-1, Medicare General Information, Eligibility, and Entitlement, Chapter 5, Section 70.5 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ge101c05.pdf>

Optometrist's Services

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Section 30.4 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>

Routine Services and Appliances

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 16, Section 90 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c16.pdf>

Hydrophilic Contact Lens for Corneal Bandage National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.1 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Photodynamic Therapy National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.2 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Photosensitive Drugs National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.3 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Verteporfin National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.3.1 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Hydrophilic Contact Lenses National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.4 http://www.cms.gov/manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Scleral Shell National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.5 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Intraocular Photography National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.6 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Refractive Keratoplasty National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.7 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Endothelial Cell Photography National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.8 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Computer Enhanced Perimetry National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.9 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Phaco-Emulsification Procedure – Cataract Extraction National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.10 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Vitrectomy National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.11 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Intraocular Lenses (IOLs) National Coverage Determination

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-3, Medicare National Coverage Determinations, Part 1, Section 80.12 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/ncd103c1_Part1.pdf

Glaucoma Screening

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Section 280.1 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>

Glaucoma Screening Services

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-4, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 70 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c18.pdf>

Low Vision Demonstration

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-19, Demonstrations Manual, Transmittal R25DEMO, CR 3816 http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/Pub100_19.pdf

Global Surgery Guidelines

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-4, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 12, Section 40 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c12.pdf>

Evaluation & Management Service Codes

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-4, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 12, Section 30.6 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c12.pdf>

Correct Coding Initiative

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-4, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 23, Section 20.9 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c23.pdf>

Other Related Links

Local Coverage Determinations

- <http://www.cgsmedicare.com/ohb/coverage/lcd/index.html>
- <http://www.cgsmedicare.com/kyb/coverage/lcd/index.html>

Beneficiary Notices Initiative (BNI) Website

<http://www.cms.gov/bni>

- Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN)