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BILLING VISION VS. MEDICAL INSURANCE

Most people have vision coverage and medical insurance. They are *very different* in terms of the services they cover and it's important for our patients to understand those differences.

Vision coverage (VSP, Spectera, EyeMed, etc.) is mainly designed to determine a prescription for glasses and is not equipped to deal with complex medical conditions and/or diagnoses. It does allow for screenings of conditions, but once they are determined, then medical insurance is filed on those services.

When a **medical** condition is present (such as **diabetes, cataracts, dry eye, floaters**, etc.) it is necessary to file the visit with your major medical carrier (BCBS, AETNA, UHC, Cigna, etc.) and the co-pays for that insurance will apply as well as any non-covered service. Insurance carriers set these rules and our office is obligated to follow them. In most cases, there is no way to know prior to the examination which type of insurance our office will be able to file for you.

We make every effort to be on every major carrier for your convenience and we will file those claims for you. In the event that we do not take your insurance, we will provide you with an itemized receipt so that you may file with your carrier for reimbursement. If you have any questions, please let us know.

I understand the paragraph above & authorize Dr. Tiffany Kim and TruVision Eye Care to file my insurance by the above guidelines.

Signature: _____

Date _____

Printed Name: _____