



## Medicare Patients

Your doctor visit today may consist of a two part visit.

Once the technician has taken your information as to why you are being seen today, the doctor will conduct a medical exam and then a vision exam which is called "Refraction."

The patient must provide a complaint (reason) as to why they are being seen, if there is no complaint then the patient will be responsible for the visit. An ABN(Advance Beneficiary Notification) will be provided to the patient.

### Part I-The Medical Examination

The Optometrist/Doctor will conduct a medical exam of your eyes. He/She wants to make sure there is no medical problem with your eyes that may affect your vision. This part of the exam is covered by Medicare if the visit is medically necessary. If further examination is needed the Optometrist/Doctor will order testing procedures, which should be paid by Medicare if medically necessary. The only reason Medicare would not pay for a procedure would be if the diagnosis is not covered or it is not a Medicare benefit. At this time the technician will have the patient sign an ABN and the patient will be responsible for payment on the date of service. The patient should always ask questions as to what is going to take place during their visit.

### Part II-The Refraction

Is the Vision exam - The Refraction, this procedure is when the Optometrist exams the eyes to determine if the patient does or does not need glasses. The vision (Refraction) examination is NOT a Medicare benefit. The patient will be responsible for the vision exam charge of \$31.00 on the date of service. Contact fitting is not a covered benefit for Medicare patients, the patient will be responsible for the \$100.00 charge on the date of service.

If you have any questions about your visit today concerning your examination, testing, procedures, or billing, please make sure you talk to someone before your leave.

Please sign this form to confirm you have read the information provided.

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Patient Signature or Responsible Party

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Date