

OPTOMAP POLICY

The Optomap is beneficial for several reasons:

- Fast, easy convenient, comfortable (**NO DROPS, NO SIDE EFFECTS**)
- Provides a wellness scan for back of the eye (retina)
- Provides an in-depth view of the retinal layers (which can be an early detector for diseases, such as Glaucoma, Macular Degeneration, Diabetes, High blood pressure, and many more.
- Provides a permanent record of your current retinal health that can be compared to in the future.

As part of the comprehensive eye exam, Dr. Martin recommends ALL patients receive an Optomap retinal image.

This procedure is not covered with most insurance plans, and will be a \$30 fee. Dilating drops may still be necessary for some patients and is not an extra charge when dilation is indicated.

****Military, First responders, and children aged 12 and under receive the Optomap at no additional charge. ****

_____ YES, I want an Optomap

_____ NO, I would like to speak with the doctor for further information.

Patient/ Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES AND BILL OF RIGHTS

I acknowledge that I have reviewed Bulverde Vision Source’s Notice of Privacy Practices.

Printed Patient Name: _____

If patient is a minor, name of parent/ guardian: _____

By law, we can only discuss your account, exam records, and any other personal information with persons you authorize. Please list the information of those with whom you authorize us to discuss your personal information.

<u>Full Legal Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Relationship to patient</u>
_____	_____	_____
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Signature of parent/guardian (if patient is under 18 years of age) Date _____

Signature of patient (if 18 years of age or older) Date _____

Vision vs Medical

Most people have vision insurance and medical insurance. They are very different in terms of services they cover and it’s important for our patients to understand those differences. Vision coverage (VSP, EyeMed, Compbenefits, Opticare, 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 a basic screening of conditions but when a medical condition is determined by our doctors such as diabetes, cataracts, dry eye, floaters, etc., it is necessary to file the visit with your major medical carrier (BCBS, Aetna, UHC, Medicare etc.) and the **specialist** co pay for that insurance will apply as well as any deductibles, co insurance or non-covered services. Insurance carriers set these rules and our office is obliged 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 Bulverde Vision Source to file my insurance by the above guidelines.

X _____ Date _____
Signature

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