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- .4 Patients with an acuity test of 20/50 or more in both eyes shall be scheduled with an optometrist for an eye examination.
- .5 Patients requiring medically necessary prescription glasses shall be responsible for the cost of the glasses according to Policy and Procedure, COR.10.1G.11. Costly, fancy or designer frames shall not be purchased under the prosthesis purchase agreement. All eye appliances, whether by prosthesis purchase agreement or paid for outright by the patient, shall conform to security guidelines.
- .6 Diabetics shall be scheduled for eye examinations annually with an ophthalmologist. Other patients with prescription glasses shall be scheduled for a re-examination with an optometrist every three years if age forty (40) or younger. Patients between the age of forty-one (41) and sixty-five (65) shall be scheduled for re-examination with an optometrist every two (2) years. Patients over age sixty-five (65) with prescription glasses shall be scheduled with an optometrist every year if necessary.

In addition to these scheduled examinations, facility providers may order an eye examination with an optometrist or ophthalmologist whenever such an examination is deemed necessary.
- .7 Prescription glasses shall be repaired as needed. Repairs done in the Clinical Section by clinical staff are free. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of repairs that must be sent to an outside vendor.
- .8 Prescription glasses may be replaced during the scheduled re-examination if necessary. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of the replacement.
- .9 Prescription glasses that need replacement prior to the scheduled re-examination shall be ordered by prescription and shall not require an examination. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of the replacement glasses.
- .10 Each Clinical Section shall stock reading glasses for patients with acuity eye test of more than 20/20 but less than 20/50 in both eyes. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of the reading glasses. Stock reading glasses shall be repaired on site by clinical staff as needed. Stock reading glasses shall not be sent outside the facility for repair. Stock reading glasses shall be replaced as needed. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of the replacement glasses.

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.11 The Health Care Division does not authorize contact lenses unless the practitioner orders that the contact lenses are medically necessary because the patient can not wear glasses. The facility health authority or designee shall verify medical orders for contact lenses. If the facility health authority approves the order for contact lens, the patient shall be responsible for the cost of the contact lenses.

The Health Care Division does not stock solutions for contact lenses. The patient shall be responsible for the cost of the solutions.

5.0 SCOPE

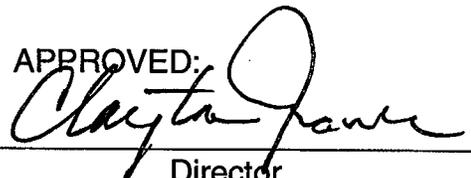
This policy and procedure applies to all branch facilities and their assigned staff.

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED:


 Medical Director 10/8/07 Date
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 Deputy Director of Corrections 10/9/07 Date

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