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### SERVICE FEE MEMORANDUM

### Visual Fee Schedule

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**TO:** Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Staff  
Client Assistance Program Administrator

**FROM:** Executive Director  
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

**THROUGH:** Field Services Division Director  
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

**DATE:** Effective: June 1, 2024

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Visual Fee Schedule **Procedure 00001** is to be used for an optometrist's examination. **Do not use** Relative Value Schedule Procedures 92002, 92004, 92012, or 92014 when **authorizing for an optometrist's examination.**

**Any exceptions to these following requirements must be approved by the Regional Manager.**

### **Eyeglasses**

The Vendor's Retail for Eyeglass Lenses is to be allowed for Procedures **00008** and **00009**. It is not necessary to first obtain approval to allow the vendor's actual retail for Procedures **00008** and **00009**.

Regardless of whether single standard vision or lined bifocal lenses are being prescribed, the vendor's retail is to be allowed. No Lined Bifocal will not be purchased. A fee has been established for eyeglasses, lenses, tint, and Ultraviolet protection.

**For eyeglass frames, the following amounts are to be allowed:**

- **\$75.00** for plastic frames.
- **\$100.00** for (metal, plastic) middle combination frames; or
- **\$125.00** for metal frames.

The vendor's actual cost for contact lens/lenses, intraocular lens implant material, and low vision aids will continue to be allowed.

Prior to issuing a new pay document for visual services, please inform any vendor of the revisions that have been made in the methods and/or rates of payment for eyeglasses lenses, frames, tint, and Ultraviolet protection. Any additional add-ons for lens must require a doctor's prescription for purchase. One set of eyeglasses can be issued to per consumer unless approval from manager is given for additional eyeglasses.

### **Contacts**

Contacts may be purchased for a consumer up to a year's worth per transaction. All supporting documentation that is required for eyeglasses will also be required for the purchase of contacts.

### **Orcam Device Policy**

OrCam is an assistive device that communicates visual information by utilizing a small, intuitive smart camera mounted on the wearer's eyeglass frame, which connects to a smartphone sized computer/battery. OrCam instantly and discreetly relays text and other visual information by audio in real time through a tiny speaker positioned toward the ear.

Prior to purchasing the device, please address the following in a written justification to your supervisor for approval.

**A written justification should contain the following four items:**

- Identify who conducted the evaluation and recommended the product.

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- List other devices considered and indicate why the OrCam is the best product to meet the individual needs of the consumer over another device.
  - A price comparison of what other devices were considered vs. the price of OrCam identifying the cost savings or extra expense prepared by the assistive technology specialist.
  - Provide a description of the job tasks, and a statement of how the purchase of the OrCam will assist with those job tasks.

Upon the approval of the supervisor, the VR Counselor authorizes the device to be purchased. For questions about OrCam's please contact the Assistive Technology Branch Manager.

### **Cataract Surgery Policy**

Individuals that are referred to the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation with a diagnosis of cataracts must meet the visual requirements for cataract surgery. Applicants must have a best-corrected visual acuity of **20/70** or worse in the best eye with limitation directly related to their job duties. Both eyes must have a cataract to qualify. Individuals with glare testing results must be no better than **20/200** in the best eye for testing. Glare testing results will only be accepted if they are done on a medium setting. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation will not assist with YAG laser for secondary cataracts unless an individual's vision is **20/40** or worse in the best eye with limitations directly related to their job duties.

OVR will pay surgery centers up to **\$920** for any cataract related services. OVR will allow up to **\$400** for the vendor's cost of an intraocular lens (IOL). The vendor must submit an invoice showing their cost for the IOL for OVR to pay for the implant. For laser procedures that are performed in a surgery center OVR will pay **\$218.40**.

### **Payment for Optometric Exam Fee**

OVR's payment for an eye exam by an optometrist is up to **\$125.00**. As has been OVR's policy, payments for eye exams by optometrists will be limited to this amount regardless of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code that is billed by the doctor's office.