ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

OHIP Changes Cheat Sheet

	Code	Current Rules	New Rules after Sept 1, 2023
CHILDREN	**V404** (full exam)	One full exam every 12 months	No Change
	V402 (partial exam)	Unlimited (1 per day)	No change
ADULTS	**V409** (full exam)	One full exam per year with:	One full exam per year with:
	(No change)	**250** - Diabetes	**250** - Diabetes
		365 - Glaucoma	**365** - Glaucoma
		366 - Cataracts/PCO	**366** - Cataracts/PCO Must be 20/40 or worse with glasses on in their better eye OR if they are bothering patient AND visit leads to a referral for cataract surgery **(In most cases, patient will only be covered when they are being referred for cataract surgery)**
	(Change to eligibility definitions)	**362** - Retinal Disease (e.g. Macular degeneration and retinal detachments)	**362** - Retinal Disease The condition must be acute (e.g. a new retina detachment…not one ten years ago) or progressively getting worse (e.g. macular degeneration)
		370/376 - Corneal Disease/ Keratoconus	**370/376** - Corneal Disease/Keratoconus Must be acute (e.g. has to be happening now…not 1 year ago) or progressively getting worse (e.g. keratoconus)
		377 - Optic Pathway disease (e.g. stroke, brain tumour)	**377** - Optic Pathway disease Must be acute (e.g. not a stable stroke that happened 5 years ago) or progressively getting worse (e.g. pituitary tumour)
		972 - Recurrent Uveitis	**364/972** - Uveitis (first time or recurrent) Must be active at the time of exam
	(Loss of coverage)	**378** - Stable Strabismus (Crossed-eyes)	No longer covered (condition is stable & can't do anything for it as adults)
		368 - Amblyopia (Lazy Eye) & Visual Field Defects	No longer covered (condition is stable & can't do anything for it as adults)
		MEE form	No longer covered
	(New Coverage)		Patients taking Chloroquine, Hydroxychloroquine, Ethambutol, Tamoxifen
			Sudden Onset of Strabismus (Crossed-Eyes)
	V408 (partial exam)	Unlimited (1 per day)	**Limited to 2 per year** (Condition must have been present at 409) **Example**: 409 glaucoma (and has diabetes) … not eligible for 408 uveitis but IS eligible for 408 for glaucoma OR diabetes
SENIORS	**V406** (full exam)	One full exam per year	One full exam per **12 months** IF they have one of the above medical conditions
			One full exam per **18 months** if they do NOT have one of the above medical conditions
	V402 (partial exam)	Unlimited (1 per day)	**Limited to 2** (1 per day) between fulls (either 12 or 18 months)
VISUAL FIELDS	**V410**	Kids & Seniors Unlimited. Adults (Only if had a 409 condition)	All ages but ONLY if have 362, 365, 377, taking meds as defined above, sudden onset strabismus. (No limit per year)

For patients asking, "**Why am I not covered anymore? I have always been covered.**"

Response: "**Similar to what is already being done in other provinces, changes have been made to OHIP to prioritize patients with serious, sight threatening conditions like glaucoma, macular degeneration and diabetes. Fortunately, you do not currently have any of those! We will happily provide you with a receipt at the end of your exam and you can use it on your income tax filing.**"