



**To:** Vision Providers  
**From:** IEHP – Provider Relations  
**Date:** December 19, 2019  
**Subject:** **Optician Benefit Reinstatement for Adult Medi-Cal Members**

**Effective January 1, 2020**, Medi-Cal will be reinstating optician benefits for Medi-Cal Members 21 years of age or older. The IEHP provider portal has been updated to allow submission of Vision Referral Requests for Members 21 years of age and older effective January 1, 2020.

Below is a summary of benefits for both Medi-Cal and DualChoice Cal MediConnect Members:

<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Medi-Cal</b>	<b>IEHP DualChoice Cal MediConnect</b>
Comprehensive Eye Exam	Once every <b>24</b> months	Once every <b>12</b> months
Frames and Lenses	Once every <b>24</b> months Single vision lenses & Frames*	Once every <b>24</b> months Frames are covered up to <b>\$100</b> Lenses are covered at 100%.
Contacts in Lieu of Glasses	Once every <b>24</b> months <b>Only when medically necessary</b>	Once every 24 months Contact lenses are covered up to <b>\$100</b> Fitting fee is separately reimbursable
Optical Labs	Prison Industry Authority (PIA) for respective county	Express Lens Lab or Unique Optical
Diabetic Retinal Exam (DRE)	Once every <b>12</b> months	Once every <b>12</b> months
Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agent (TPA)	As needed	As needed

*\*Select frames **only***

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the IEHP Provider Relations Team at (909) 890-2054.