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Dear Medicaid Visual Services Provider:

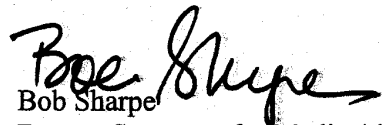
Florida, like most states, has had to make difficult Medicaid coverage decisions in order to operate within available resources. These decisions have an impact on the adult visual services program.

As a result of budget reductions, Medicaid must limit the adult visual services program effective July 1, 2003. Therefore, Medicaid vision benefits for adults are limited to medically necessary services consisting of visual exams, refractions, prosthetic eyes and related services, and medically necessary contact lenses. Eyeglasses and eyeglass repairs for recipients age 21 and above will no longer be reimbursed.

All visual services listed in the Medicaid Visual Services Coverage and Limitations Handbook will be reimbursed for recipients younger than 21 years of age when medically necessary.

I appreciate the services that you provide to Florida's Medicaid recipients.

Sincerely,

  
Bob Sharpe  
Deputy Secretary for Medicaid

