

January 27, 2003  
**Montana Medicaid Notice**  
**Physicians, Optometrists, Opticians**

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**Optometric Services Changes**

Effective February 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003, routine eye care provided to Full and Basic Medicaid adults aged 21 and over will not be covered by Medicaid. Adults are responsible for payment of routine services provided by ophthalmologists and optometrists during this time. Eyeglasses are not covered for adults during this period and adults are responsible for payment of eyeglasses as well as dispensing fees. Children aged 20 and under continue to have routine eye care and eyeglasses and dispensing services covered.

Medical conditions of the eye as well as surgeries and post-operative care will continue to be covered for both adults and children.

**Contact Information**

If you have questions related to this bulletin, please call the Optometric program officer at (406) 444-4066. If you have questions regarding claims, please contact Provider Relations:

**Provider Relations in Helena and out-of-state: (406) 442-1837**  
**In-state toll-free: 1-800-624-3958**