New Contact Lens Services beginning January 1St 2006

According to the American Medical Association the prescription of contact lenses includes specification of optical and physical characteristics (such as power, size, curvature, flexibility, gas permeability). It is NOT a part of the general ophthalmological services.

Contact lens evaluation	New Wearer	Previous Wearer
fees	\$200.00 & up	\$95.00 & up

Please note: Astigmatism, bifocal, rigid gas permeable, and other complex evaluations may necessitate higher fees.

The Contact Lens Evaluation may include:

Reviewing of contact lens history, Distance visual acuity w/ contact lens, Retinoscopy/auto-refraction over contact lenses, Subjective refraction over contact lenses, Visual acuity with over refraction at distance and near, Biomicroscopic examination with contact lenses, Lid evaluation/lid extension, Corneal topography Aberrometry, Tear film evaluation, Keratometry readings, Biomicroscopy without contact lenses, Fluorescein examination with/without contacts, Diagnostic contact lens fitting, Ordering contact lenses, Review proper handling of lenses and provide sample solutions.

The Contact Lens Evaluation is **NOT** part of the standard annual eye exam and may require follow up care. This service is important to ensure the proper fit of the lenses and health of the eye. Please keep your appointment. The cost of the contact lens evaluation is determined by the type of lenses that are required, your prescription, and if you are a previous wearer. Your contact lens prescription is valid for 1 year after your final prescription has been determined. *At the end of that year, a NEW EXAM and EVALUATION will need to be performed to determine your new prescription.*

If you have never worn contact lenses before, your fee will fall under *New Wearer* column above. If you have worn contact lenses before, your annual contact lens evaluation fee will fall under *Previous Wearer* column.

Contact Lens Disclosure

As with any drug or device, the use of contact lenses is not without risk. A small percentage of individuals wearing contact lens develop potential serious complications, which can lead to permanent eye damage.

Remove your contact lenses and seek care if you have any unexplained: Eye pain or redness
Watering eyes or discharge
Cloudy or foggy vision
Decrease in vision, or increased sensitivity to light.

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The Federal Law:

SEC. 5. EXPIRATION OF CONTACT LENS PRESCRIPTIONS.

IN GENERAL- A contact lens prescription shall expire—

on the date specified by the law of the state in which the prescription was written, if that date is one year or more after the issue date of the prescription

not less than one year after the issue date of the prescription if such, State law specifies no date or a date that is less than one year after the issue date of the prescription: or

not withstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), on the date specified by the prescriber, if that date is based on the medical judgment of the prescriber with respect to the ocular health of the patient.