

Contracting & Payer Relations

Tufts Health Plan Update – EyeMed Vision Care effective January 1, 2008

Beginning January 1, 2008, providers participating in the EyeMed vision Care network will provide preventive eye and medical optometry services for Tufts Health Plan commercial and Tufts Medicare Preferred members.

Please note the following:

- ◆ **Optometrists** must be contracted with EyeMed Vision Care to provide covered preventive and medical optometry services to plan members and should submit claims directly to EyeMed.

- ◆ **Ophthalmologists** must be contracted with EyeMed Vision Care to provide covered preventive eye care services to plan members and should submit claims for routine services to EyeMed.

However, eye exams for members with medical conditions such as diabetes and glaucoma are covered by the member's medical benefit.

Ophthalmologists must submit eye exam claims for those commercial members to Tufts Health Plan with the medical condition diagnosis code as the primary diagnosis.

For more information, please review our Vision Services Professional Payment Policy, which can be found at www.tuftshealthplan.com/providers.

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