

March Vision Care

Visual Field Exams

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Overview

A visual field test determines a patient's visible field of view. The test maps central and peripheral vision. This policy describes the medical necessity requirements for visual field testing.

Clinical Criteria

March Visions had determined that visual field exams are medically necessary for the following indications:

- Malpositioning of the upper eyelid, including dermatochalasis, blepharochalasis, blepharoptosis, brow ptosis or injury;
- Glaucoma or glaucoma suspect;
- Diabetic and/or hypertensive retinopathy;
- Macular pathology, including degeneration;
- Functional assessment of the optic nerve in any of the following conditions: papilledema, coloboma, drusen, pallor, pseudopapilledema, Foster-Kennedy syndrome, optic nerve sheath hemorrhage, or hypoplasia
- Intracranial hemorrhage, mass or increased intracranial pressure;
- Occlusion and/or stenosis of cerebral/precerebral arteries, transient cerebral ischemia or giant cell arteritis;
- Retinal vascular occlusion (central retinal artery, partial retinal artery, retinal artery branch, central retinal vein, tributary retinal vein), changes in vascular appearance, exudative retinopathy, retinal micro-aneurysms, retinal neovascularization, vasculitis, or telangiectasias;
- Retinal dystrophies, tears, thinning, schisis edema, ischemia, hemorrhage or detachment ;
- Symptoms or diagnosis of neoplasm of brain including the optic chiasm, cranial nerves, pituitary and pineal glands, or craniopharyngeal duct;
- Visual field defects identified on gross visual field screening;
- Use of high risk medication (e.g. Plaquenil);
- Focal chorioretinal inflammation;
- Choroidal rupture or detachment;
- Degenerative myopia;
- Retinal pigment epithelium detachment;
- Retinal or choroidal neovascularization;
- Buphthalmos;
- Ocular injury.

CPT Codes

The following list of codes are for informational purposes only and may not be all-inclusive. Deleted codes and codes which are not effective at the time the service is rendered may not be eligible for reimbursement.

<u>92081</u>	<u>Limited visual field exam</u>
<u>92082</u>	<u>Intermediate visual field exam</u>
<u>92083</u>	<u>Extended visual field exam</u>