

FOR APPROVAL by AOA BOT:

The AOA believes that "vision care", *Essential Health Benefits Requirement* as defined in (D) (1) Section 1302 of The **Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA)**^[1] shall be defined as follows:

- Comprehensive vision and eye health examination,* by an optometrist, or ophthalmologist, during first year of life and continuing annually through age 21.
- The diagnosis and treatment of diseases, refractive errors, binocular disorders and injuries of the eye, adnexa and visual system.
- Treatment shall include but not be limited to the use of corrective devices and/or other therapeutic procedures to maximize vision and eye health.

* As defined by CPT in the E &M and general ophthalmological codes.

Carried unanimously on Tuesday, June 15, 2010.

ADOPTED