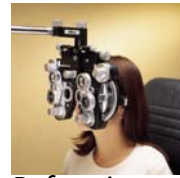




**Important Patient Information: Refraction Policy  
92015 Determination of Refractive State (Refraction)**

*aka: Refraction, Glasses Prescription Refraction, Computer Glasses Prescription Refraction.*



***A refraction to an Ophthalmologist is as important as the electrocardiogram is to a Cardiologist.***

I hereby affirm that I have been informed and understand that the doctor may order a refraction for me today for either medical reasons or to provide me with a new glasses prescription. I understand that if insured my insurance may consider this procedure excluded from my benefits and/or a non-covered benefit. If this is the policy, I understand and agree that if the doctor orders this procedure; I may also have to pay \$35.00 out-of-pocket for it.

**FAQs -**

- 1. What is a refraction?** This test is a determination of an eye’s refractive error and the best corrective lenses to be prescribed. A series of lenses in graded powers are presented to determine which provides the sharpest, clearest vision.
- 2. Is this test required?** The doctors agree that this test is a necessary element of most visits and it is used to create prescriptions for glasses and/or contact lenses and/or to evaluate possible changes in vision due to medical conditions. This is essential in order to determine if a decrease in vision is due to only a need for glasses, which is easy to correct, or if another medical reason exists.
- 3. Does my insurance plan pay for this test?** The majority of insurance plans designed for medical examination coverage, including Medicare and Tricare will **NOT** cover the refraction. The majority of commercial insurance plans designed for vision examination coverage will cover one (1) refraction every 1 to 2 years depending upon the plan.
- 4. What do you charge for refractions?** The Eye Clinic of Austin charges \$35.00 for each refraction with or without a prescription.
- 5. Can I get another prescription designed especially for computer glasses?** Yes, just inform the doctor. There is an additional, refraction process that is performed with special equipment that is designed to aid the doctor with a specialized glasses prescription which is commonly called a *Prio*® Refraction. The doctor may instruct you to do some measuring at your home and/or office computer and return to our office to finalize your computer glasses prescription. There is an additional fee for this service of \$35.00.

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Signature of  Patient or  Guarantor

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Printed Name of Signer

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