

Minutes: OD Low Vision Workgroup
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1. LV web course

Modules 4, 6, and 8 are available now. An email announcement went out last week that they are ready. Currently modules, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 are available.
Modules 2 and 7 should be out soon
A new module on Telehealth and LV is still in progress
Cope certificate can be printed when completed (please see attached with instructions/screenshot)

2. Low Vision and VERA

Patients with LV will now get VERA patient class category 4. Make sure that pt is 20/70 or worse in the better eye before coding low vision.

Clarification: Pts with Low vision (coded H54.2; Low vision, both eyes) will get VERA classification 4, but this does not affect their copays. Only the people that are legally blind will get the copays waived (based on catastrophic disability) even though they are now in the same VERA class.

Question from group: does low vision have to be listed on the problem list for VERA reimbursement? Or is listing it in the encounter sufficient?

Lisa and Karen will follow up on this.

3. LV procedure codes

A big *Thank You* to Patti Fuhr and the national coders who developed the following table of exam codes and procedure codes. There are a few codes highlighted below (97150, 96150, 96151, and 99367) that can't be used, but all of the others can be used with 92xxx or 99xxx exam codes.

Kia commented that 92060 is useful for testing in multiple fields of gaze or orthoptic training for CI pts.

Karen and Lisa will f/u with the coders to see what RVU values are attached to each code.

Polishing Artificial Eye	V2624	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sensorimotor Exam	92060	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Team Conf w/o PT by Phys,+30 min	99367	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Therapeutic Activities	97530	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Therapy/Exercise, Ea 15 min	97110	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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