Chapter Opt 1

AUTHORITY AND DEFINITIONS

Opt 1.01 Authority.

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History: Chapter Opt 1 as it existed on January 31, 1971 was repealed, and a new chapter Opt 1 was created, Register, January, 1971, No. 181, effective 2−1−71.

Opt 1.01 Authority. The rules in chs. Opt 1 to 8 are adopted under authority in ss. 15.08 (5) (b), 227.11 (2), 449.01 and 449.07, Stats., to define the scope of practice of optometry in Wisconsin.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1985, No. 356, eff. 9−1−85; correction made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7., Stats., Register, March, 1989, No. 399; am. Register, September, 1997, No. 501, eff. 10−1−97; CR 06−116: am. Register May 2007 No. 617, eff. 6−1−07.

Opt 1.02 Definitions. As used in chs. Opt 1 to 8:

(1) “Board” means the optometry examining board.

(1m) “Department” means the department of safety and professional services.

(2) “Fitting contact lenses” means any of the following procedures:

(a) Determining whether a patient may safely and comfortably wear contact lenses.

(b) Measuring and evaluating the curvature of the cornea through any means including photographic, mechanical or reflected light methods.

(c) Using a spectacle prescription or a prescription determined of test findings, as well as the diagnosis and management of any condition related to the care of the patient.

Opt 1.03 Delegation and supervision. Except as provided under s. Opt 5.03 (19) and (20), an optometrist may direct an unlicensed person working under the optometrist’s supervision to perform any act that is within the optometrist’s scope of practice. The optometrist continues to be responsible for interpretation of test findings, as well as the diagnosis and management of any condition related to the care of the patient.

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