



Payment Policy

Subject: Just4Me - Low Vision

Policy

CareSource will reimburse Just4Me (Ohio Marketplace) providers specializing in low vision care for covered low vision services, including evaluations, low vision aids, and training and instruction, as described in this policy.

Definitions

“Low vision.” A person with low vision is one who has impairment of visual functioning even after treatment and/or standard refractive correction, and has a visual acuity of less than 6/18 to light perception, or a visual field less than 10 degrees from the point of fixation, but who uses, or is potentially able to use, vision for the planning and/or execution of a task for which vision is essential. *(From www.who.int/blindness/causes.com)*

Provider Reimbursement Guidelines

Prior Authorization

CareSource requires that a provider receive pre-authorization before providing a member with services under this low vision policy.

Reimbursement

CareSource will reimburse providers specializing in low vision care for the evaluation, prescription of optical devices, and for providing training and instruction to maximize the remaining usable vision for our Just4Me (Ohio Marketplace) members with low vision. After pre-authorization by CareSource, covered low vision services (both in- and out-of-network) will include one comprehensive low vision evaluation every 5 years, with a maximum allowed charge of \$300; maximum low vision aid allowance of \$600 with a lifetime maximum of \$1,200 for items such as high-power spectacles, magnifiers and telescopes; and follow-up care of up to four visits in any five-year period, with a maximum reimbursement of \$100 for each follow-up visit.

CareSource will not reimburse for visual therapy, or for service and materials not meeting accepted standards of optometric practice.

Billing

The appropriate documentation must be attached to the claim form, or sent separately to CareSource for claims submitted electronically.

Related Policies & References

Document Revision History
