Eyeglass Lenses Example: CMS-1500

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Examples in this section will help providers bill for eyeglass lenses on the *CMS-1500* claim form. Refer to the *Eyeglass Lenses* section of this manual for policy information. Refer to the *CMS-1500 Completion* for *Vision Care* section of this manual for instructions to complete claim fields not explained in the following examples. For additional claim preparation information, refer to the *Forms: Legibility and Completion Standards* section of this manual.

Billing Tips:

When completing claims, do not enter the decimal points in ICD-10-CM codes or dollar amounts, or dollar signs with the charges. When entering modifiers, do not include hyphens. If requested information does not fit neatly in the *Additional Claim Information* field (Box 19) of the claim, type it on an 8½ x 11-inch sheet of paper and attach it to the claim.

Single Vision Lenses in Lieu of Bifocals

Figure 1. Single vision lenses in lieu of bifocals.

This is a sample only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

In this example, an optometrist who resides in a Prison Industry Authority (PIA) county is billing for two pairs of single vision eyeglasses – one for distance vision and one for near vision – in lieu of bifocals, for a recipient who cannot adapt to bifocals.

Enter "11" in the *Place of Service* field (Box 24B) to indicate that service was rendered in an office. A primary and secondary ICD-10-CM code are entered in the *Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury field* (Box 21).

Because this claim is submitted with a diagnosis code, an ICD indicator is required between the dotted lines in the *ICD Ind*. area of Box 21. An indicator is required only when an ICD-10-CM/PCS code is entered on the claim.

Note: Prescribing two pairs of eyeglasses in lieu of bifocals for recipients 38 years of age or older is one of the conditions that requires valid ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes to be billed on the claim. Refer to the *Eye Appliances*, *Eyeglass Frames* and *Eyeglass Lenses* sections in this manual for policy and billing instructions.

Because two frames are required for a recipient who has no prior frame, HCPCS code V2020 (frames, purchases) is billed with modifier NU (new equipment) in *the Procedures, Services, or Supplies field* (Box 24D) and quantity "2" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) of the claim. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

In addition, because the recipient resides in a PIA county (Sacramento in this example), only lens dispensing fees (CPT® codes 92340 – 92342 and 92352 – 92353) can be billed. Therefore, CPT code 92340 (fitting of spectacles, except for aphakia; monofocal) is billed. Modifier NU is billed because the recipient has no prior history of ophthalmic lenses. Enter "4" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) to indicate that four monofocal or single vision lenses are being dispensed. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

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Figure 1. Single Vision Lenses in Lieu of Bifocals for a Recipient 38 Years or Older on the Date of Service.

Bifocals Prescribed for Recipients Younger Than 38 Years of Age

Figure 2. Bifocals prescribed for recipients younger than 38 years of age on the date of service.

This is a sample only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

In this example, an optometrist, who resides in a PIA county, has prescribed bifocal lenses for a 10-year old child.

Enter "11" in the Place of Service field (Box 24B) to indicate that service was rendered in an office. A primary ICD-10-CM code is entered in the *Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury* field (Box 21).

Because this claim is submitted with a diagnosis code, an ICD indicator is required between the dotted lines in the *ICD Ind*. area of Box 21. An indicator is required only when an ICD-10-CM/PCS code is entered on the claim.

Note: Prescribing multifocal for recipients younger than 38 years of age on the date of service is one of the conditions that require specified ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes to be billed as a primary diagnosis on the claim. Refer to the *Eye Appliances, Eyeglass Frames and Eyeglass Lenses* sections in this manual for policy and billing instructions.

Because one frame is required for a recipient who has none prior, HCPCS code V2020 (frames, purchases) is billed with modifier NU (new equipment) in the *Procedures, Services, or Supplies* field (Box 24D) and quantity "1" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) of the claim. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

In addition, because the recipient resides in a PIA county (Sacramento in this example), only lens dispensing fees (CPT codes 92340 – 92342 and 92352 – 92353) can be billed. Therefore, CPT code 92341 (fitting of spectacles, except for aphakia; bifocal) is billed. Modifier NU is billed since the recipient has no prior history of ophthalmic lenses. Enter "2" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) to indicate that two bifocal lenses are being dispensed. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

Refer to the *CMS-1500 Completion for Vision Care* section in this manual for instructions to complete remaining fields on the claim.

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Figure 2: Bifocals Prescribed for Recipients Younger Than 38 Years of Age on the Date of Service

Eyeglass Replacement: Previous Lenses Less Than Two Years Old

Figure 3. Eyeglass replacement: Previous eyeglasses are less than two years old.

This is a sample only. Please adapt to your billing situation.

In this example, an optometrist, who resides in a PIA county, is billing for a replacement pair of bifocal eyeglasses. Previous eyeglasses, that were ordered less than two years ago, are lost. The optometrist has obtained a signed statement from the recipient about the circumstances for replacement to keep in the medical record.

Enter "11" in the *Place of Service* field (Box 24B) to indicate that service was rendered in an office. A primary ICD-10-CM code is entered in the *Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury* field (Box 21). Enter secondary diagnosis code(s), if applicable, on lines A, B, C etc., of Box 21.

Because this claim is submitted with a diagnosis code, an ICD indicator is required between the dotted lines in the *ICD Ind*. area of Box 21. An indicator is required only when an ICD-10-CM/PCS code is entered on the claim.

Because one replacement frame is required for the recipient, HCPCS code V2020 (frames, purchases) is billed with modifier RA (replacement) in the *Procedures, Services, or Supplies* field (Box 24D) and quantity "1" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) of the claim. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

In addition, because the recipient resides in a PIA County (Sacramento in this example), only lens dispensing fees (CPT codes 92340 – 92342 and 92352 – 92353) can be billed. Therefore, CPT code 92341 (fitting of spectacles, except for aphakia; bifocal) is billed. Modifier RA is billed to indicate that the optometrist is replacing the lenses for the recipient. Enter "2" in the *Days or Units* field (Box 24G) to indicate that two bifocal lenses are being dispensed. Enter the usual and customary charges in the *Charges* field (Box 24F).

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Refer to the *Eye Appliances, Eyeglass Frames and Eyeglass Lenses* sections in this manual for policy and billing instructions.

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Figure 3: Eyeglass Replacement: Previous Eyeglasses are Less Than Two Years Old.

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