

## **Explanation of Contact Lens Service Fees**

For optimal eye health and continued success with contact lens correction, contact lens patients require additional testing over and above what is done during a routine eye exam. Contact lenses are medical devices that can affect the health of the eyes, even when they feel fine. In order to renew your contact lens prescription, the doctors at Bluffton Family Eye Care do several tests **each year** that are not part of the standard eye exam. Here is a sampling of these tests:

- Slit lamp examination of the contact lens on the eye to check for continued proper lens fit.
- Slit lamp examination of the eye surface and lid tissues to look for adverse effects of lens wear.
- Contact lens refraction to determine power (contact lens prescriptions are not the same as eyeglass prescriptions).
- Review of new products and materials that may improve eye health, vision, or comfort.
- Review of wear schedule and proper cleaning.

Our recommendations are individually tailored to each patient and are based on many factors including your eyeglass prescription, vision needs, overall health, and eye health. As contact lenses continue to improve, we often will recommend a refit into a different lens type (i.e. bifocal) or more comfortable lens material. In some cases, we will schedule one or two brief follow-up visits after a change is made. These visits are included in the refit fee that is charged with the exam. **Please note that this fee has been negotiated with your vision insurance plan and may or may not be paid by the plan.**

As always, if you have any questions about our fees, services, or your vision insurance benefits, we would be more than happy to answer them.

**I have reviewed the above information and agree to pay the contact lens service fees today and each time my contact lens prescription is reviewed and updated:**

**Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_