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## **Welcome to Mountain View Optometry and Contact Lens Clinic**

### **CONTACT LENS EXAM INFORMATION:**

When a patient wears contact lenses, the doctor is required to check visual performance through the contact lenses as well as through glasses.

Among eye care professionals, it is standard practice to charge more for a contact lens exam than a spectacle exam because of the extra time the contact lens patients require. At our office the difference in cost between a comprehensive exam for a spectacle wearer and a contact lens wearer is \$72.00. If you have contact lens coverage through VSP, your out of pocket cost depending on your copay may be different.

If you wear contact lenses, additional procedures will be performed to determine your contact lens health and vision status.

#### Some of the procedures are:

- Biomicroscopy studying edema, keratitis and other possible complications of contact lens wear.
- Wetting and movement characteristics of the contact lenses.
- Measurement of "tear break up time" to study the interaction between the tear film and the cornea.
- Measurement of corneal curvature by traditional keratometry
- Analysis of the lids and lashes.

All of these procedures are billed under "contact lens exam basic." In addition to the contact lens exam basic charge, other charges may occur. For a first time contact lens wearer, there are *fitting and training fees*. For a current contact lens wearer, there will be a *charge for any contact lens type change or parameter change*. The fees start at \$123 and up, depending on the service being performed.

Thank you,

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