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Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:33-5.1 and 5.5

Ophthalmic Dispenser: Definition; Scope of Practice

Proposed: December 5, 2016, at 48 N.J.R. 2582(a).

Adopted: April 12, 2017, by the New Jersey Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians, Michael Higgins, President.

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The official comment period ended February 3, 2017. The Board received no comments.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because there are no Federal laws or standards applicable to the adopted amendments.

Full text of the adoption follows:

SUBCHAPTER 5. PRACTICE STANDARDS

13:33-5.1 Record of prescriptions filled

(a) Each person licensed as an ophthalmic dispenser shall maintain for a period of at least six years at a New Jersey establishment the following records:

1.-3. (No change.)

4. Identification, by means of name or initials, of individuals involved in interpreting and measuring, duplicating, fabricating, verifying, and fitting and adjusting all eyeglasses, frames, and lenses fabricated and dispensed;

5. Written confirmation that the licensed dispenser or licensed technician has verified the

lenses; and

6. If a licensed ophthalmic dispenser performs and certifies vision screening pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:33-5.5(b)10, a copy of the completed Motor Vehicle Commission vision screening report.

(b)-(d) (No change.)

13:33-5.5 Ophthalmic dispenser: definition; scope of practice

(a) (No change.)

(b) The following functions are within the scope of practice of a licensed ophthalmic dispenser:

1.-7. (No change.)

8. The mailing of completed eyeglasses pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:33-5.7;

9. The mailing of contact lenses pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:33-4.1; and

10. The performance and certification of vision screening pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:3-10c.