



## **Sierra Eye Medical Group Registration Materials**

The following documents are included for you to consider and / or fill out:

- Patient Registration Form
- Financial Disclosure Document
- Medical History Form
- Medicare Information Form
- Medicare Facts Sheet
- Acknowledgement of Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP)  
(To view our NPP, go to [www.sierraeye.com](http://www.sierraeye.com) and follow the links)

Please fill out the applicable forms completely. Upon completion, please do one of the following:

FAX to (559) 636-3937

or

Mail to:

New Patient Registration  
Sierra Eye Medical Group, Inc.  
2830 West Main Street  
Visalia, CA 93291-4300

or

Bring the forms with you on your first visit

If you need directions to our office, please go to [www.sierraeye.com](http://www.sierraeye.com) and follow the links to the direction page.

Thank you for choosing Sierra Eye Group for your eye care.

**REGISTRATION FOR SIERRA EYE MEDICAL GROUP, INC.**

*(for office use only)*

ARE YOU A NEW PATIENT IN THIS OFFICE?       YES       NO      ACCT# \_\_\_\_\_

CHART# \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PATIENT \_\_\_\_\_

PATIENT'S MAILING ADDRESS      FIRST      MIDDLE      LAST

STREET NO.      CITY      STATE      ZIP

PATIENT'S STREET ADDRESS      STREET NO.      CITY      STATE      ZIP

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

MALE      SOCIAL SECURITY \_\_\_\_\_  
 FEMALE      AGE \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PATIENT'S RACE \_\_\_\_\_ ETHNICITY: Hispanic or Non-Hispanic      PREFERRED LANGUAGE \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ DRIVER LIC OR ID \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SINGLE     MARRIED     WIDOWED     DIVORCED     SEPARATED

REFERRED BY \_\_\_\_\_

DO WE HAVE YOUR PERMISSION TO THANK THE PERSON WHO REFERRED YOU?     YES     NO

FAMILY PHYSICIAN \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE'S OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER OF SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY:**

CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE INFORMATION**

MEDICARE# \_\_\_\_\_     MEDICAL     PRIVATE INSURANCE     VISION PLAN

NAME OF COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY# \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I authorize treatment of the person named above and agree to pay all fees and charges for such treatment. I agree to pay all charges for me and members of my family shown by statements, promptly upon presentment thereof, unless credit arrangements are agreed upon in writing. Charges shown by statement are agreed to be correct and reasonable unless protested in writing within thirty days of billing date. In the event legal action should become necessary to collect an unpaid balance due for medical services rendered to me or my family, I/we agree to pay reasonable attorney's fees or other such costs as the Court determines proper.

It is agreed that payments will not be delayed or withheld because of any insurance coverage or the pendency of claims thereon, and all proceeds of insurance are assigned to Sierra Eye Medical Group, Inc. where applicable, but without their assuming responsibility for the collection thereof. I authorize payment of medical benefits to Sierra Eye Medical Group, Inc. I authorize the release of any medical information necessary to process claims. This agreement remains valid until revoked in writing by me. A copy of this agreement is as valid as the original.

**NOTICE:** Do not sign this agreement before you read and agree to the conditions set forth on the reverse side.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

RESPONSIBLE PERSON

## In Case of Errors or Inquiries About Your Bill

The Federal Truth in Lending Act requires prompt correction of billing mistakes.

1. If you want to preserve your rights under the act, here's what to do if you think your bill is wrong or if you need more information about an item on your bill:

a. Do not write on the bill. On a separate sheet of paper write (you may telephone your inquiry, but doing so will not preserve your rights under this law) the following:

I. Your name and account number (if any).

II. A description of the error and an explanation (to the extent you can explain) why you believe it is an error.

If you only need more information, explain the item you are not sure about and, if you wish, ask for evidence of the charge such as a copy of the charge slip. Do not send in your copy of the sales slip or other document, unless you have a duplicate copy for your records.

III. The dollar amount of the suspected error.

IV. Any other information (such as your address) which you think will help the creditor to identify you or the reason for your complaint or inquiry.

b. Send your billing error notice to: (creditor's name and address).

Mail it as soon as you can, but in any case, early enough to reach the creditor within 60 days after the bill was mailed to you.

2. The creditor must acknowledge all letters pointing out possible errors within 30 days of receipt, unless the creditor is able to correct your bill during that 30 days. Within 90 days after receiving your letter, the creditor must either correct the error or explain why the creditor believes the bill was correct. Once the creditor has explained the bill, the creditor has no further obligation to you even though you still believe that there is an error, except as provided in paragraph 5 below.

3. After the creditor has been notified, neither the creditor nor an attorney nor a collection agency may send you collection letters or take other collection action with respect to the amount in dispute;

but periodic statements may be sent to you, and the disputed amount can be applied against your credit limit. You cannot be threatened with damage to your credit rating or sued for the amount in question, nor can the disputed amount be reported to a credit bureau or to other creditors as delinquent until the creditor has answered your inquiry. However, you remain obligated to pay the parts of your bill not in dispute.

4. If it is determined that the creditor has made a mistake on your bill, you will not have to pay any finance charges on any disputed amount. If it turns out that the creditor has not made an error, you may have to pay finance charges on the amount in dispute, and you will have to make up any missed minimum or required payments on the disputed amount. Unless you have agreed that your bill was correct, the creditor must send you a written notification of what you owe; and if it is determined that the creditor did make a mistake in billing the disputed amount, you must be given the time to pay which you normally are given to pay undisputed amounts before any more finance charges or late payment charges on the disputed amount can be charged to you.

5. If the creditor's explanation does not satisfy you and you notify the creditor in writing within 10 days after you receive his explanation that you still refuse to pay the disputed amount, the creditor may report you to credit bureaus and other creditors and may pursue regular collection procedures. But the creditor must also report that you think you do not owe the money, and the creditor must let you know to whom such reports were made. Once the matter has been settled between you and the creditor, the creditor must notify those to whom the creditor reported you as delinquent of the subsequent resolution.

6. If the creditor does not follow these rules, the creditor is not allowed to collect the first \$50 of the disputed amount and finance charges, even if the bill turns out to be correct.

7. If you have a problem with property or services purchased with a credit card, you may have the right not to pay the remaining amount due on them, if you first try in good faith to return them or give the merchant a chance to correct the problem.

### I (WE) AGREE AND UNDERSTAND:

1. That each purchase I instruct to be charged to my account is to be recorded on a sales check or such other form as the seller may use from time to time, and if accepted by the seller, it is referable to this agreement.
2. A statement will be sent to me detailing the charges, payments and credits entered on my account during the month preceding the closing date of the statement. The total amount owing at that time will be indicated by the entry new balance.
3. (a) I may pay the balance in full within 30 days of the closing day of the statement and there will be no FINANCE CHARGE.  
(b) If I do not pay the full amount within 30 days of the closing date of each statement, I will pay the amount due according to the payment schedule in effect from time to time. The minimum periodic payment will be \$25.00 or the total balance when less than \$25.00.

4. FINANCE CHARGE will be calculated each month on the amount of the unpaid balance (referred to as previous balance) after deducting payments or credits and before adding new purchases:

1½% per month (ANNUAL PERCENTAGE RATE 18%).  
MINIMUM CHARGE \$1.00 per month.

These charges do not exceed those permitted by law, but are subject to change if permitted by law.

I may pay the total balance due at any time without penalty or additional FINANCE CHARGE.

5. If monthly payments become past due I agree to pay the total amount owing upon demand and to pay reasonable collection costs, attorney fees and court costs as permitted by law if such are incurred by the seller.

6. I understand delivery of this disclosure statement does not indicate the account I (we) are applying for has been approved and that I (we) will be informed of this decision separately.

### YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

As required by Paragraph B of 1788.21 and 1788.22 of Article 3 entitled Debtor Responsibilities of California's Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Chapter 907 of the Civil code which states:

"Each responsibility set forth in subdivision (a) of Paragraphs 1788.21 and 1788.22 shall apply only if and after the creditor clearly and conspicuously in writing discloses such responsibilities to such person."

1788.20 In connection with any request of application for consumer credit, no person shall:

(a) Request or apply for such credit at a time when such person knows there is no reasonable probability of such person's being able or such person then lacks the intention, to pay the obligation created thereby in accordance with the terms and conditions of the credit extension; or

1788.21 (a) In connection with any consumer credit existing or requested to be extended to a person, such person shall within a reasonable time notify the creditor or prospective creditor of any change in such person's name, address, or employment.

1788.22 (a) In connection with any consumer credit extended to a person under an account:

(1) No such person shall attempt to consummate any consumer credit transaction thereunder knowing that credit privileges under the account have been terminated or suspended.

(2) Each such person shall notify the creditor by telephone, telegraph, letter, or any other reasonable means that an unauthorized use of the account has occurred or may occur as the result of loss or theft of a credit card, or other instrument identifying the account, within a reasonable time after such person's discovery thereof, and shall reasonably assist the creditor in determining the facts and circumstances relating to any unauthorized use of the account.



**SIERRA EYE GROUP**  
SIERRA EYE MEDICAL GROUP, INC.  
2830 WEST MAIN STREET  
VISALIA, CALIFORNIA 93291  
TELEPHONE (559) 636-1000

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Your personal physician: \_\_\_\_\_

**List any drug allergies and reactions.**

	<i>Drug</i>	<i>Reaction</i>
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____

**List any present medication you use:**

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Name</i>
1)	_____	6) _____
2)	_____	7) _____
3)	_____	8) _____
4)	_____	9) _____
5)	_____	10) _____

**List any present health problems (such as high blood pressure, diabetes, or heart trouble).**

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_

**List any past surgeries you have had.**

	<i>Surgery Type</i>	<i>Year</i>
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____
4)	_____	_____
5)	_____	_____

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# Family and Personal Health History Review & Inventory

## PERSONAL SYSTEM REVIEW

Please check every box that applies to you.

### Do the following run in your family?

- Lazy eye (Amblyopia)
- Blindness
- Cataracts
- Crossed eyes
- Diabetic retinopathy
- Glaucoma
- Macular degeneration
- Cancer
- Diabetes
- Heart Disease
- High blood pressure
- Stroke
- Other familial disease

### Your Social History

- Smoke \_\_\_ packs/day X \_\_\_ yrs
- Alcohol \_\_\_ drinks/day X \_\_\_ yrs
  - rarely
  - only socially
- Not driving  Driving
- Driving with limitations
- Live alone
- Live with spouse or companion
- Live with adult child
- Live in assisted care facility
- Live in nursing home
- Live at home with care giver

Your occupation:

\_\_\_\_\_

### Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_

### Constitutional

- Recent or recurrent fever?
- Recent weight loss?
- Recent weight gain?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Eyes

- Blurred vision?
- Double vision?
- Glare?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Ears, Nose, Throat

- Hearing loss?
- Sinus problems?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Cardiovascular

- Chest pain?
- Irregular heart beat?
- Heart failure?
- High blood pressure?
- Slow hear rate?
- Past coronary artery angioplasty?
- Past coronary artery stent(s)?
- Past open heart surgery?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Respiratory

- Shortness of breath?
- Wheezing?
- Asthma?
- Coughing up blood?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Gastrointestinal

- Abdominal pain?
- Nausea?
- History of hepatitis?
- History of stomach or colon cancer?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Genitourinary

- Blood in urine?
- If female: unexpected bleeding?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Musculoskeletal

- Joint pain?
- Low back pain?
- Arthritis?
- Gout?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Integumentary/Skin/Breast

- Rosacea?
- Have you had breast cancer?
- Have you had skin cancer?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Neurological

- Numbness?
- Weakness?
- Have you ever had a TIA?
- Have you ever had a stroke?
- Have you ever had CT scan of head?
- Have you had MRI scan of head?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Psychiatric

- Anxiety?
- Depression?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Endocrine

- Diabetes?
- Thyroid problem?
- Ever consulted an endocrinologist?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Hematologic/Lymphatic

- Anemia?
- Blood disorder?
- Unusual bleeding?
- Are you taking anticoagulants?
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Allergic/Immunologic

- History of hives?
- Hay fever?
- Seasonal allergies?
- \_\_\_\_\_

Please add any comments that would be helpful to know more about your health:

\_\_\_\_\_

## A Common Myth: "Medicare Covers All Medical Services"

It would be splendid if true; however, Medicare does not cover all services. The law provides numerous **General Exclusions** from coverage. That means that you are responsible for full payment of services or supplies which the Medicare law lists under **General Exclusions**. Some examples of these services or supplies are:

- ☒ Cosmetic surgery (*except after accidental injury*)
- ☒ All spectacles and lens changes (*except the first change following lens implant surgery*)
- ☒ Any eye examination performed in the absence of serious ocular disease
- ☒ The Refractive Component (*testing for glasses*) of any eye examination

Eye examinations which reveal no serious ocular disorder are defined by the law as a Medicare **General Exclusion**. In such cases the Medicare beneficiary is directly responsible for all charges.

Eye examinations which include a refraction and which are performed on eyes in which there is a serious ocular disorder are defined by Federal statute as consisting of two components, a covered and non-covered portion. The Medicare beneficiary is responsible for 20% of the covered portion (or 100% if deductible has not been met) and 100% of the refractive portion which is non-covered by statutory **General Exclusion**.

## Examples of Medicare Excluded and Medicare Covered Services

**A. These procedures are *not* covered by Medicare. The patient is responsible for 100% of the charges and will receive no payment from Medicare because of Medicare law which defines General Exclusions.**

### Not Covered by Medicare

1. All measurement of refractive status (procedure 92015)
2. All eye exams in absence of serious ocular disease
3. All glasses (except first pair after implant surgery)

**B. This procedure is a covered Medicare procedure if serious ocular problem is present.**

Eye examination (does *not* include measurement of refractive status)

If deductible *not* met  
patient pays 100%

If deductible met  
patient pays 20%

*Patient charge is all charges under "A" plus charge under "B." Only charges under "B" qualify towards meeting yearly Medicare deductible.*



## Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice

Sierra Eye Medical Group, Inc. (SEMG) &  
Sierra Ambulatory Surgery Center, A Medical Corporation (SASC)  
2828 - 2830 W. Main St., Visalia, CA 93291-4300

### Privacy Officials:

Deborah Navarrette Phone (559)636-1000 ext.225

Rita Gomez Phone (559) 734-7272

I hereby acknowledge that I received a copy of this medical practice's Notice of Privacy Practices

**The most current Notice of Privacy Practices is on our website [www.sierraeyegroup.com](http://www.sierraeyegroup.com)**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

If not signed by the patient, please indicate your relationship to the patient:

- parent or guardian of minor patient
- guardian or conservator of an incompetent patient
- beneficiary or personal representative of deceased patient

Name of Patient: \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

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### ***For Office Use Only:***

Signed form received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledgment refused:

Efforts to obtain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reasons for refusal:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_