

Uses of “Prescription Analysis Form” by Registered Opticians:

- 1) The Prescription Analysis Form is a tool to communicate with the doctor of record. It provides him/her with written documentation in a professional format so that he/she can better address a patient’s problem, this saves the doctor chair time. (Definitely, a plus for the doctor) Ophthalmologists usually have NO ONE on their staff who can do more than a rudimentary prescription check of the lenses and certainly no one who has the knowledge of the process involved in making eyeglasses. This form can make you a part of a doctor’s team by extending this service to the patient.
- 2) Using a Prescription Analysis Form is a service opticians can offer to ophthalmologists that will demonstrate your professionalism and be a foundation to a strong referral relationship. In communicating with each other, physicians always send a letter to the referring physician documenting their findings. This form functions in the same way.
- 3) It demonstrates to the patient the skills a Registered Optician possesses to define and resolve the problems a patient is experiencing with their eyeglasses. It may be something as simple as properly fitting the glasses to the patient or the optician may find the lenses are not made as prescribed or the PD/OC/Seg heights are improperly measured. The optician then has an opportunity to explain and discuss his findings with the patient and offer the appropriate solutions.
- 4) It also is helpful in demonstrating to a doctor that it does make a difference where their patients have their glasses made when you can identify and document errors and then solve their patient’s vision problems.
- 5) Provides Opticians at other optical stores and/or chain stores with information that illustrates that there are Opticians that subscribe to a higher standard in the Art and Science of Ophthalmic Optics and have special skills that can help a doctor’s patient receive the best possible vision from a written prescription. There is a potential of up to a twenty percent improvement when the same prescription is properly aligned in front of the apex of a patients cornea.
- 6) If the doctor’s patient decides to return to where they purchased the eyewear in order to have the problem resolved, it provides the Opticians trying to help the doctor’s patient the information they would need to resolve the problem.