

## Informed Consent for Telemedicine Services

PATIENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION OF PATIENT: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Information about Telemedicine:

Telemedicine involves the use of electronic communications (telephone, computer, etc.) to enable health care providers (doctors, nurses, physician assistants, and others) at a different location from the patient to share medical information with that patient for the purpose of improving access to patient care. This involves communication of medical information, both orally and visually, to healthcare practitioners located in California.

The information may be used for diagnosis, therapy, follow-up and/or education, and may include any of the following:

- Images of your face and profile.
- Images of the retina and cornea
- Use of an auto-refractor.
- Use of a lens-meter.
- Comprehensive exam preparation performed by an optical technician.
- Documentation of all testing on patient medical records
- Output data from medical devices and sound and video files. The electronic systems used will attempt to incorporate security protocols to protect the confidentiality of patient identification and imaging data and will include measures to safeguard the data and to ensure its integrity against corruption.

### Possible Benefits:

The benefits of receiving telemedicine services have been explained to me. Benefits include, but are not limited to:

- Reduced wait time for appointments.
- Increased convenience.
- Focused healthcare information.
- Improved access to healthcare services and providers.

### Possible Risks:

As with any medical procedure, there are risks associated with the use of telemedicine. These risks include, but may not be limited to:

- Information transmitted may not be sufficient to allow for appropriate medical decision making by the health care provider. For instance, certain parameters of the eye examination

