

# DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

<b>Division:</b> NORTH CAROLINA
<b>Classification:</b> OPTOMETRIST
<b>Applicant Name:</b>
<p><b>Optometrist:</b> The Optometrist must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility, as defined by facility job description.</p> <p><b>Definition of Care or Service:</b> The Optometrist examine the eyes and other parts of the visual system, they also diagnose and treat visual problems and manage diseases, injuries, and other disorders of the eyes. Scope of service may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perform vision tests and analyze results</li> <li>• Diagnose sight problems, such as nearsightedness or farsightedness, and eye diseases, such as glaucoma</li> <li>• Prescribe eyeglasses or contact lenses as needed</li> <li>• Prescribe topical and oral medications to treat allergies, infections, inflammation, and glaucoma.</li> <li>• Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA Healthcare conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians.</li> </ul> <p><b>Setting(s):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities, imaging centers and physician practices</li> <li>• Patient care areas, all settings</li> </ul> <p><b>Supervision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indirect supervision by surgery department director, site manager or designee</li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluator:</b> Chair of Credentials or designee</p> <p><b>Tier Level:</b> 2</p> <p><b>eSAF Access Required:</b> YES</p> <p><b>Qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doctorate of Optometry (O.D.) degree from a program accredited by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE)</li> <li>• Licensed as an Optometrist</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.</p> <p><b>State Requirements:</b> Licensed through the North Carolina Board of Optometry as an Optometrist</p> <p><b>Experience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One year experience as an Optometrist</li> </ul> <p><b>Competencies:</b> The Optometrist will demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to assess visual function in patients with visual impairment</li> <li>• The ability to perform an examination of the eye and related structure</li> </ul>



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- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - Complies with Isolation precautions
  - Required immunizations per Division requirement

### References:

North Carolina Board of Optometry: <https://www.ncoptometry.org/>

Optometry Scope Of Practice & Legislation In North Carolina

<https://www.optometrystudents.com/optometry-scope-practice-legislation-north-carolina/>

Accreditation Council on Optometric Education <https://www.aoa.org/optometrists/for-educators/accreditation-council-on-optometric-education>

**Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.**

**Applicant Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_