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Application for Glaucoma Certification

Authority: Business and Professions Code § (BPC) 3041(f)(5) and California Code of Regulations (CCR) §1571

FEE: \$35

** You must have a current California Optometrist License and have a Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agent (TPA) Certification to be eligible for Glaucoma Certification*

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| Name: | License #: | School/College Graduation Date: |
| Principal Place of Practice Address: | Phone #: | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| E-mail Address: | | |

Please indicate the following:

- I graduated from an accredited school/college of optometry after May 1, 2000.**
Requirements: 1) Exempt from the 24-hour didactic course; and
 2) Must complete the case management requirement (minimum of 25 individual patients are each prospectively treated for a minimum of 12 consecutive months).
- I graduated from an accredited school/college of optometry prior to May 1, 2000 and have completed the 24-hour didactic course. I began the glaucoma certification process between the dates of 1/1/2001 to 12/31/2009 pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 929 (50 patients for two-years) but did not complete the requirements.**
Requirements: 1) May apply all patients who have been co-managed prospectively for 12 consecutive months toward the case management requirement.
 2) Follow CCR §1571 glaucoma certification process if additional patients are needed to complete the case management requirement.
- I graduated from an accredited school/college of optometry prior to May 1, 2000 and have not completed a 24-hour didactic course.**
Requirements: 1) Must complete the 24-hour didactic course; and
 2) Must complete the case management requirement.
- I graduated from an accredited school/college of optometry prior to May 1, 2000 and have completed the 24-hour didactic course.**
Requirements: 1) Must complete the case management requirement.

If you completed the 24-Hour Didactic Course please fill out the following:

School/College of Optometry: _____ **Year of Completion:** _____

**Please provide a copy of your certificate of completion with this application.



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Method(s) used to complete the case management requirement:

- Case Management Course approved by the Board of Optometry on April 11, 2011.**
 (A copy of your certificate of completion for this course must be attached to complete this application. This course may be completed only once for credit towards certification.)
- Grand Rounds Program approved by the Board of Optometry on April 11, 2011.**
 (A copy of your certificate of completion for this course must be attached to complete this application. This program may be completed only once for credit towards certification.)
- Preceptorship Program effective January 8, 2011.**
 (Please complete and attach the “Documentation of Co-Management of Glaucoma Patients for Preceptorship Program” form to complete this application.)
- Applying 25 patients who have been co-managed prospectively for 12 consecutive months pursuant to SB 929, if you began the SB 929 glaucoma certification process between the dates of 1/1/2001 to 12/31/2009.**
 (Please complete and attach the “Documentation of Co-Management of Glaucoma Patients for Preceptorship Program” form. You must use the most current form to complete this application.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided on this form and the attached documents or other requested proof of completion is true and I understand and agree that any misstatements of material facts may be cause for denial of the glaucoma certificate and disciplinary action by the Board of Optometry.

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| Optometrist Signature: | Date: |
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Requirements for Glaucoma Certification:

Business and Professions Code (BPC) Section 3041(f)(1)-(5) and California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 1571 list the applicable requirements that a Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agent (TPA) certified optometrist must meet to receive a glaucoma certification:

1. Licensees who graduated from an accredited school or college of optometry on or after May 1, 2008, are exempt from the didactic course and case management requirements, provided they submit proof of graduation from that institution to the Board.”
2. Licensees who graduated from an accredited school or college of optometry prior to May 1, 2000, and who have not completed a didactic course of no less than 24 hours will be required to take the 24-hour course indicated in subsection (a) of CCR section 1571. Licensees who graduated from an accredited school or college of optometry after May 1, 2000, are exempt from the didactic course requirement of CCR section 1571.
3. Licensees who graduated from an accredited school or college of optometry prior to May 1, 2008, and who have taken a didactic course of no less than 24 hours, but not completed the case management requirement under SB 929 (Stats. 2000, ch. 676, § 3), will be required to complete the Case Management Requirement indicated in subsection (a) of CCR section 1571.
4. Licensees who were certified to treat glaucoma pursuant to BPC section 3041(f)(1)-(2) prior to January 1, 2009, must submit proof of completion of that certification program.
5. Licensees who have substantially completed the certification requirements pursuant to BPC section 3041 in effect between January 1, 2001 and December 31, 2008, must submit proof of completion of those requirements on or before December 31, 2009. “Substantially completed” means both of the following:
 - (A) Satisfactory completion of a didactic course of no less than 24 hours in the diagnosis, pharmacological and other treatment and management of glaucoma.
 - (B) Treatment of 50 glaucoma patients with a collaborating California-licensed ophthalmologist for a period of two years for each patient that concludes on or before December 31, 2009.
6. Licensees who started the process for certification to treat glaucoma under SB 929 (Stats. 2000, ch. 676, § 3) and did not complete the requirements by December 31, 2009, may apply all patients who have been co-managed prospectively for at least 12 consecutive months towards the Case Management Requirement indicated in subsection (a) of CCR section 1571.
7. For licensees who graduated from an accredited school/college of optometry on or before May 1, 2008, and are not described in 1-6 above, must submit proof of satisfactory completion of the requirements for certification in CCR Section 1571.

Please Note: Licensees that are glaucoma certified pursuant to CCR section 1571 shall be required to complete 10 hours of glaucoma specific continuing optometric education every license renewal period. These 10 hours shall be part of the required 35 hours on the diagnosis, treatment and management of ocular disease (CCR Section 1571 (b)).