

Legislation and Regulation Committee - Strategic Plan Goal Worksheet - Updated February 7, 2022

Task Number	Task	Completion Goal Date	Success Measure?	Committee Discussion	First Progress Report Due
3.1	Advocate for the adoption of new opticianry statutes and regulations (using data from occupational analyses) that seek to clarify the principles of the profession and provide better consumer protection for those who are seeking opticianry services.	Q1 2024	Report to the Board		
3.1.1	Conduct survey and analysis of existing laws and regulation to see if they might be guided by federal law.	Q2 2023		2/7/22 –Sunset Review Cleanup workgroup to meet on 2/17 to begin optometry statute review.	
3.1.2	Work with Leg Reg Unit to monitor federal legislation/track federal legislation.	Q4 2023		2/7/22 - No resources available from DCA for federal legislation tracking	
3.1.3	Review existing laws to see if they need to be strengthened or added to.	Q1 2024 and ongoing			
3.2	Promulgate rulemakings to effectively regulate practice within mobile clinics and home settings to provide better consumer protection for those who are seeking optometric services.	Q3 2022	Successful implementation and administration of the law permits issued.		
3.2.1	Implement Assembly Bill 896 regulatory package	Q1 2022 - ongoing		10/22/21 - Staff to revise proposed text as a result of AB 1534 and will bring to LRC in spring. Will update LRC at spring meeting. 12/15/21– New AGPA hired to assist with 896 implementations. Staff is continuing work on text revisions brought with AB 1534. 2/3/22 – Mobile Optometric Office text and forms submitted to legal. To be presented to full Board at the 3/11/21 meeting.	Spring LRC meeting
3.2.2	Implement Assembly Bill 458 regulatory package	Q3 2022 - ongoing		10/22/21 - Rulemaking package being prepared by staff for DCA review. Will update LRC at spring meeting. 2/7/21 – Staff has begun rulemaking package for DCA legal review. Planned submission for initial approval by DCA by May 2022.	Spring LRC meeting
3.3	Explore current and emerging methods, opportunities, and technology to increase access to care while maintaining a world-class standard of vision care (e.g., scope of practice, delegation of authority and telemedicine)	Q4 2024	Current and emerging methods explored.		
3.3.1	Identify telemedicine issues and steps and continue research.	Q1 2023		10/22/21 - Directed staff to review the Minnesota Optometry Board for telemedicine policy. Discuss with ARBO their telemedicine policy. Work with Dr. Pruitt on existing staff research on telemedicine and update. 2/7/22 - No update	
3.3.2	Holding stakeholder forum identifying new trends in optometry and opticianry practice	Q2 2024			
3.3.3	Review mobile optometric clinics pursuant to AB 896.	Q4 2024			

3.4	Pursue Sunset Review legislation that modernizes language and concepts in light of current and future practice, that synchronizes the expiration dates of fictitious name permits to align with renewals of general licensure and statements of licensure, and that implements a license verification fee to support unfunded staff work.	Q4 2025	Submission of statutory language in the sunset report at the end of 2025.		
3.4.1	Conduct Optometry statutory review. (Statement of Licensure address, address of record)	Q4 2024		10/22/21 - Staff to begin work on statutory review next year, similar to optician statutory review which was conducted in 2019-2020. 2/7/21 – Sunset Review Cleanup workgroup to meet on 2/17 to begin optometry statutory review.	
3.4.2	Clarify address of record for practicing outside CA. Re-define statement of licensure.	Q1 2025			
3.4.3	Separate the laws/regs exam from the application process.	Q4 2025			
3.4.4	Possible expansion of optometrists to be employed by other doctors.	Q4 2025		2/7/22 – Completed, in law as a result of AB 1534 (2021)	
3.4.5	Submit license verification language to sunset committee.	Q4 2025		2/7/22 – Completed, in law as a result of AB 1534 (2021)	
3.4.6	Submit expiration date synchronization language to sunset committee.	Q4 2025			
3.5	Monitor changes in federal law to identify methods that will strengthen existing California legislation regarding the sale of contact lenses and eyeglasses to improve enforcement and enhance consumer protection.	Q3 2023	Changes in federal laws are monitored and board is aware.		
3.5.1	Work with DCA Leg Reg on how to track federal legislation.	Q4 2021		10/22/21 - Directed staff to work with DCA Leg Reg on tracking system, if available. 12/15/21 – emailed DCA Leg/Reg for further information. 1/13/21 – No resources available from DCA for federal legislation tracking 2/11/22 – Staff to work with Attorney General's office - for background on federal / state law preemption – will report back to LRC	Spring LRC meeting
3.5.2	Presentations made by state and national stakeholder groups on federal laws and trends.	Q2 2023			
3.5.3	Review existing optometry and optician laws to see how they are guided by federal law.	Q3 2023			