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**TO:** New York State Agency Health Benefits Administrators

**FROM:** Employee Benefits Division

**SUBJECT:** Updated NYS Vision Plan Booklets for Employees Represented by NYSCOPBA (contract affected)

**DATE:** August 19, 2010

Effective September 1, 2010, the New York State Vision Plan for enrollees represented by the New York State Correctional Officers and Police Benevolent Association (NYSCOPBA) (contract affected) as well as COBRA enrollees with NYSCOPBA (contract affected) vision care benefits will have the following benefit available:

**Laser Vision Correction Network:**

Active employees and former employees enrolled under COBRA will be covered for a plan funded laser vision correction benefit once every five years. A member copayment of 10% of the discounted price for laser vision correction procedures, up to a maximum of \$200, is applicable. Covered dependents will continue to be eligible for the employee-pay-all laser vision "discount program."

The attached letter along with an updated NYS Vision Plan booklet will be sent to enrollees to explain their benefit changes. In addition, EyeMed Vision Care will soon be sending you a small supply of the updated NYS Vision Plan booklets for NYSCOPBA (contract affected) enrollees. Enclosed with the booklets will be a cover letter and a NYS Vision Plan Publications Supply Request Form with instructions for requesting additional booklets from EyeMed Vision Care. The Supply Request Form can also be found on HBA Online at [www.cs.state.ny.us](http://www.cs.state.ny.us):

- Choose Benefits Programs
- Choose HBA Online
- Enter your User ID and Password
- Choose Publications & Forms
- Choose New York State Vision Plan Benefit Booklet Order Form

If you have any questions, please contact your EBD Processor.

Attachment