

320.220 Licensure requirement -- Exemptions.

- (1) No person shall practice optometry in this Commonwealth or hold himself or herself out as being able to do so unless he or she is the holder of a license duly issued to him or her by the board and registered in the manner provided by KRS 320.290.
- (2) A license to practice optometry shall not be required by physicians or osteopaths currently licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy at any place in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- (3) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit persons from fitting, adjusting, or dispensing visual aid glasses or other lenses or appurtenances if the fitting, adjusting, or dispensing is done upon the written prescription of a currently licensed optometrist, physician, or osteopath, nor shall this chapter be construed as requiring these persons to be licensed under this chapter.
- (4) Nothing in this chapter or in the administrative regulations promulgated by the board pursuant to this chapter shall be interpreted to limit or restrict a licensed health care practitioner or provider from engaging in the full scope of practice authorized by the license for that person's profession, training, or services.

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