Watts Healthcare Corporation

Optometrist

Reports to:

FLSA Status: Exempt **Revised Date**:

Position Summary:

The Optometrist is responsible for providing comprehensive, high-quality, patient-centered vision and eye care services to patients of Watts Health Corporation, a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC).

The Optometrist performs comprehensive eye examinations, diagnosis and manages ocular disease, prescribes corrective lenses and therapeutic medications within the scope of California licensure, and provides preventative eye care services to a diverse and medically underserved patient population.

This position works collaboratively with primary care providers, specialists, nursing staff, and other members of the interdisciplinary healthcare team to promote continuity of care, early detection of vision-related conditions, and improved patient health outcomes.

The Optometrist is expected to support Watts Healthcare's mission

Essential Functions and Responsibilities:

- Takes case histories on patients, updates patient charts with current treatment information, and instructs patients in home care prescribed by the clinician.
- Prepares patient for examination; places medicated drops into patients' eyes.
- Conduct visual acuity evaluations and automated refractions on new and returning patients as directed.
- Prescription orders for various laboratories.
- Receive prescriptions from customers for contact lenses or eyeglasses
- Measure the faces and eyes of customers, including the distance between pupils. This is very important to ensure the proper fit of eyeglasses
- Assist customers in choosing eyeglass frames and lenses. Specific customers may need special eyewear for sports, occupational use, or various tints and anti-reflective coatings.
- Write work orders for laboratory techs and provide them with the information needed to make new lenses
- Work with customers to ensure that eyeglasses fit properly
- Repair and replace eyeglass frames as needed
- Provide education to customers about their eyewear; show customers how to take care of their contact lenses
- Handle various administrative business tasks, such as keeping track of prescriptions and ordering and maintaining vision center inventory.
- Assure that the working area is clean, organized, and supplied with necessary items for care of patients.
- May perform other duties as assigned that are within the scope of job duties and responsibilities.

Qualifications:

- To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Representative accommodations may be able to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

Education and/ or Experience:

- High School Diploma and Degree or Certification of completion from a recognized training program that included instruction and practice in mapping visual fields.

Physical Demands:

- The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.
- Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential function.
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to stand; walk; sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools, or control; reach with hand and arms; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and talk hear.
- The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

Work Environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received a copy of my Job Description. I understand that I may be asked to perform responsibilities and duties not listed in the description and that my duties may change at any time, according to the clinic's needs. Nothing in this position description is intended to create a contract of employment of any type. Employment at Watts Health is strictly on at "at-will" basis.

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Employee Printed Name

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Employee Signature Date

I certify that I have discussed the position description with the employee

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Supervisor Printed Name

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Supervisor Signature Date