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## **Modern Vision Centers Publishes Patient Guide on Cataract Surgery Insurance Coverage in West Des Moines, Iowa**

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Modern Vision Centers, a LASIK and cataract surgeon located in West Des Moines, Iowa, has published a patient education guide explaining how Medicare and private insurance plans handle cataract surgery costs in the West Des Moines area. Cataract surgery is among the most frequently performed procedures in the United States, and coverage details vary by insurance plan, lens selection, and surgical technology. The article reviews surgeon fees, facility fees (if applicable), standard monofocal versus premium intraocular lens coverage, femtosecond laser-assisted technology, and the use of Health Savings Account and Flexible Spending Account funds toward out-of-pocket expenses. The full guide, titled "Does Insurance Cover Cataract Surgery in West Des Moines?", is available on the practice website.

Patients throughout West Des Moines, Des Moines, Urbandale, and Ankeny who pursue cataract surgery at Modern Vision Centers receive an itemized cost estimate during the EyeAnalysis consultation. The estimate separates insurance-covered amounts, which typically include the surgeon's fee and a standard monofocal intraocular lens, from patient-responsibility amounts such as copays, deductibles, and any premium lens upgrade fee. Modern Vision Centers operates an office-based surgical center in West Des Moines that is

included in the cataract surgery package, with no additional facility fee. The Modern Vision Centers billing team handles insurance verification and pre-authorization for Medicare, Medicaid, and major commercial insurance carriers before the cataract consultation is scheduled.

According to the article, Medicare Part B covers medically necessary cataract surgery in Iowa when a physician confirms the diagnosis, with patients responsible for the annual Part B deductible plus 20 percent coinsurance. Out-of-pocket costs for standard cataract surgery in West Des Moines typically range from \$0 to \$500 per eye, while premium lens upgrades, including multifocal, toric, and extended depth-of-focus options, are at an additional out-of-pocket cost. The article also explains that femtosecond laser-assisted cataract surgery is generally not covered by insurance and is paid as an out-of-pocket upgrade. Health Savings Account and Flexible Spending Account funds can be applied to copays, deductibles, and premium lens upgrade fees as IRS-qualified medical expenses. Modern Vision Centers accepts Medicare and most major private insurance plans, including Blue Cross Blue Shield, UnitedHealthcare, Aetna, and Cigna, for cataract surgery in West Des Moines. Cataract surgery is one of seven vision correction procedures performed at the practice, alongside LASIK, PRK, SMILE, EVO ICL, Refractive Lens Exchange, and Blended Vision.

Cataract surgery at Modern Vision Centers is performed by Dr. Brandon Menke, MD, a fellowship-trained ophthalmologist and Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy Reserve who has completed thousands of cataract procedures, and Dr. Drew Dickson, MD, PCEO, a board-certified ophthalmologist who completed his residency at the Storm Eye Institute and was one of the first Refractive Surgery Alliance Fellows in the country.

"Cataract surgery is one of the most common insurance-covered procedures in the country, but the coverage details often surprise patients," said Dr. Drew Dickson, MD, PCEO, board-certified ophthalmologist, the only Fellow of the World College of Refractive Surgery in Iowa, and co-founder of Modern Vision Centers. "Medicare and private insurance typically pay for the surgical procedure and a standard monofocal lens, which corrects vision at one distance. Patients who want to reduce their dependence on reading glasses after surgery can review premium lens upgrades, and the associated out-of-pocket costs, during the EyeAnalysis consultation before scheduling cataract surgery."

Modern Vision Centers is located at 6880 EP True Parkway, Suite 110, in West Des Moines, Iowa 50266, and serves cataract surgery patients across West Des Moines, Des Moines, Urbandale, and Ankeny. Driving directions to Modern Vision Centers are available through Google Maps. The practice's billing staff verifies Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance benefits before each cataract consultation is scheduled, so coverage and out-of-pocket questions are addressed before the visit.

For more information about cataract surgery, premium lens implants, and insurance coverage at Modern Vision Centers in West Des Moines, the practice website is available at [mvcvision.com](https://www.mvcvision.com/), and additional location details are available on the Modern Vision Centers Google Business Profile. Modern Vision Centers is a physician-owned ophthalmology practice in West Des Moines, Iowa, providing cataract surgery, LASIK, SMILE, PRK, EVO ICL, Refractive Lens Exchange, laser cataract surgery, and Blended Vision to patients across Central Iowa. Each patient begins care with the practice's EyeAnalysis comprehensive diagnostic exam and is supported afterward through VisionTrack, a lifelong vision care program. Modern Vision Centers continues to publish patient education on cataract surgery, premium lens options, and refractive procedures for residents of West Des Moines and the greater Des Moines metropolitan area.

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*Modern Vision Centers is a LASIK surgeon in Des Moines, Iowa, offering laser vision correction including LASIK, EVO ICL, SMILE, Refractive Lens Exchange (Custom Lens Replacement), advanced cataract surgery, PRK and blended vision.*

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