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### **A Message to Our EyeMed Patients**

After careful consideration and deep reflection on my four years of serving the people of Griswold and the surrounding communities, I have made the difficult decision to leave the EyeMed provider network as of January 1, 2026.

My highest priority has always been to give each patient the time, attention, and respect they deserve during their eye care experience. I am equally committed to maintaining accessibility and providing the highest quality care and technology within our office.

Unfortunately, EyeMed's increasingly restrictive policies are making it more challenging to uphold those standards. Limitations on treatment options, reduced reimbursement, and pressure to see a higher volume of patients directly conflict with the level of care I believe in, and that my patients expect.

To ease this transition, we are offering discounted self-pay rates on exams and glasses for EyeMed members who wish to continue receiving care with us. We have also invested in software that allows us to submit claims to EyeMed as an out-of-network provider on your behalf. This means payment will be made to our office at the discounted rate, and EyeMed will reimburse you directly according to your plan's benefits.

If you choose to find an in-network EyeMed provider we will fax your records to them. We just ask that you fill out the records request form that can be found on our website.

Thank you for your trust and support. I look forward to continuing to care for you and your family with the quality and attention you deserve.

*-Dr. Katina Simmons and the Griswold Eye Care Team*