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Continuing Education Course Approval Checklist

Title:
Provider Name:
☑Completed ApplicationOpen to all Optometrists?☑Yes☐NoMaintain Record Agreement?☑Yes☐No
☑ Correct Application Fee
☑ Detailed Course Summary
□ Detailed Course Outline
□ PowerPoint and/or other Presentation Materials
□Advertising (optional)
□CV for EACH Course Instructor
□License Verification for Each Course Instructor Disciplinary History? □Yes □No





CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE APPROVAL APPLICATION

\$50 Mandatory

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations (CCR) § 1536, the Board will approve continuing education (CE) courses after receiving the applicable fee, the requested information below and it has been determined that the course meets criteria specified in CCR § 1536(g).

in addition to the information requested below, please attach a copy of the course schedule and topical outline of the subject matter. Applications must be submitted 45 days prior to the course presentation date.

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Will the proposed course be open to all California licens	sed optometrists?	YES □ NO
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March 23, 2017

State Board of Optometry 2450 Del Paso Road, Ste. 105 Sacramento, CA 95834

RE: Late submission of CE course approval-Taste of the Islands 8 Hour CE-April 30, 2017: Five Retinal Diagnoses You Don't Want to Miss; Cataract Surgery in Patients with Corneal Pathology; Buried Treasure: Connecting the Dots to Treating Binocular Misalignment; Patient-reported Outcomes with Lasik: Interpreting the PROWL study; What We Know about Topography Guided Refractive Surgery: Case Studies in Clinical Practice; Do You See What I See?; Crosslinking for Corneal Ectasia: The Evolution of Sclera Lenses; Blink and You'll Miss It: Dry Eye in the Cosmetic Patient; Is the Symfony Toric Lens the Answer for Every Eye Condition; Should My Glaucoma Patient with a Cataract have a MIGS Surgery; Vitreous: Friend or Foe; Is it Cancer? The Optometrist Role in the Diagnosis and Management of Periocular Skin Cancer; Oral Presentations of Systemic Disease: Case Presentations; Glaucoma Management: What Should I do Next?

Dear Practice and Education committee,

I am writing this letter in regards to late submission for the multi-course symposium titled "Taste of the Islands CE" scheduled for presentation on 04/30/2017. We are short of the 45 day submission request, and wanted to include a letter for late submission with our CE approval application.

We continue to work diligently to get all required items to the board needed for CE approval in a timely manner. Due to multiple speakers at the upcoming CE, we had difficulty obtaining all the lectures to meet the submission requirement timeline and would appreciation your consideration of our continuing education approval request.

Please feel free to reach out to us with any other questions. We look forward to continued relations with the State Board of Optometry and the practice and education committee.

Sincerely

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Taste of the Islands 8 hour CE (15 of 15 lectures)

Course Title: Glaucoma Management: What Should I Do Next?

Course Presentation date: 4/30/17

Speaker: Baothu (Betsy) Nguyen, MD

Target Audience: This lecture is intended for optometrist seeking continuing

education

Course Description: Lecture to include case presentations of Glaucoma management and what are the possible options are in treating the glaucoma patients. Evaluation of OCT and visual fields and discuss medication management, laser and surgical options.

CE Credit: .50 CE Units

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Betsy Bao-Thu Nguyen, M.D.

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 - WE had a lengthy discussion of risks and benefits of all glaucoma treatments.
- We agreed on the following:
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 - -Continue Alphagan-P 0.1% TID OU, with punctal occlusion and eye closure.
 - -Proceed with SLT OU (as she was probably high risk of progression , only on Alphagan-P)
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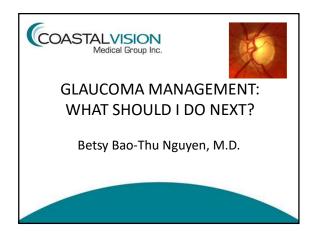
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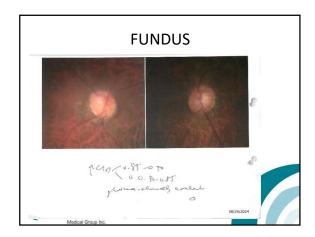
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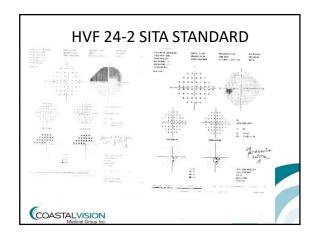
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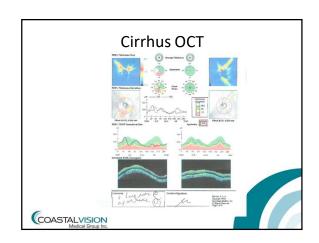
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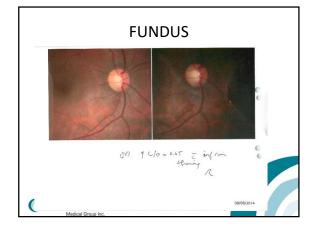
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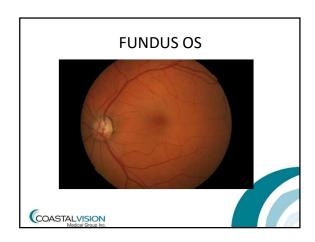
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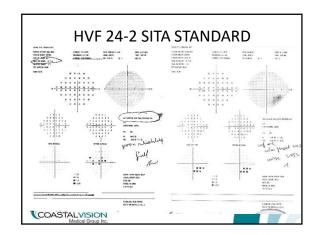
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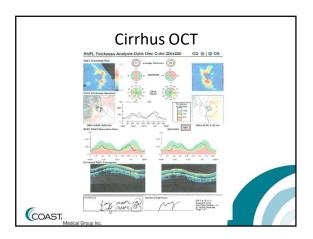
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 - E. Laser trabeculoplasty
 - F. Glaucoma surgery (MIGS, trabeculectomy or tube
 - G. Refer her to a glaucoma specialist

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CASE PRESENTATION

- My patient who was trying to get pregnant:
 - WE had a lengthy discussion of risks and benefits of all glaucoma treatments.
- · We agreed on the following:
 - -D/C Lumigan
 - -Continue Alphagan-P 0.1% TID OU, with punctal occlusion and eye closure.
 - -Proceed with SLT OU (as she was probably high risk of progression, only on Alphagan-P)
 - -If IOP increases or disc heme, or worsening VF, then may need to add other glaucoma meds, or glaucoma surgery.



DO NO HARM

- · NO more than 2 bottles.
- Individualize patient therapy.
- WE NEED to remember compliance, cost, and effect on patient's life, when we decide our next step in treating our patients.
- Think: Cataract surgery, MIGS, SLT

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TREATING GLAUCOMA IS AN INEXACT SCIENCE. IT IS AN ART. WE NEED TO CHANGE WITH THE PATIENT'S NEEDS.

- WE NEED to remember compliance, cost, and effect on patient's life, when we decide our next step in treating our patients
- The goal of glaucoma treatment is to preserve vision, without adversely affecting the patient's quality of life.





THANK YOU!!

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CURRENT PRACTICE

2000 - Present: Private Practice, Ophthalmology

2000 - Present: Consultant/Research for USC, Dept of Ophthalmology

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

11/19/2000 Board Certified, Diplomate, Ophthalmology (Effective through 12/2020)

06/06/1997 Medical Board of California licensed (Exp date = 10/31/2016)

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EDUCATION & POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

1999 - 2000 : Clinical Fellowship, Glaucoma & Clinical Instructor

Preceptors: Robert L. Stamper, MD and Marc F. Lieberman, MD

University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) & California Pacific Medical Center

1996 - 1999: Residency, Ophthalmology (worked with Joseph Caprioli, MD, Anne

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1995 - 1996: Internship, Preliminary Medicine

UCLA – San Fernando Valley

1991 - 1995 : M.D. degree, Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society (top 10% of class)

UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine

1989 - 1991 : B.S. Biological Sciences, Magna cum laude

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1987 - 1989: Dean's Honors List & UC Regents Scholar

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HONORS & AWARDS

1999: ARVO Travel Fellowship, National Eye Institute

1995: Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society, UCLA School of Medicine

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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery,

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

2000-2006	Team Eye Doctor for the National Champions Anaheim Angels
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2002-2012	Consultant for Allergan

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE, PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

2013-2015	Researcher for USC – Collaboration with Chinese American Eye Study
2013-2013	(CHES). Collaborate with Rohit Varma, MD.
2012	Baseline risk factors that predict the development of open-angle glaucoma in a
2012	population: the Los Angeles Latino Eye Study. Ophthalmology.
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2012	Four-year incidence of open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension: the Los
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2011	Angeles Latino Eye Study. Am J Ophthalmol. 2012 Aug;154(2):315-325.
2011	"Population and High Risk Group Screening for Glaucoma:
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2005	(LALES). Collaboarate with Rohit Varma, MD and Brian Francis, MD.
2005	Screening for Glaucomatous Optic Nerve Damage: The Los Angeles Latino
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2004	2499.
2004	"Prevalence of open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension in Latinos: the
2002	Los Angeles Latino Eye Study", <i>Ophthalmology</i> , 2004 Aug; 111(8):1439-48.
2003	Prevalence of Open-Angle Glaucoma and Ocular Hypertension in Latinos. The
	Los Angeles Latino Eye Study (LALES) . ARVO Abstract. <i>Invest Ophthalmol</i>
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	: Schering study (LOCS III Certified)
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2003	Advanced Glaucoma Training DVD, for Allergan
1999 - 2000 :	Evaluation of computerized optic discs to determine stability vs. progression of
1000 1000	glaucoma, under Robert L. Stamper, MD, Chief of Glaucoma, UCSF.
1998 - 1999 :	Retrospective longitudinal study of progression of glaucoma, using
	multivariate analysis of serial visual fields, stereoscopic disc photographs, and
	confocal laser imaging, under Joseph Caprioli, MD, Chief of Glaucoma,
	UCLA Jules Stein Eye Institute.
	ARVO paper presentation, "Identification of Glaucoma Progression Through
	Combined Use of Quantitative Structural and Functional Measures", May
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orbital implants, under Robert A. Goldberg, MD, Chief of Oculoplastics,

1995 - 1997 : Development of quantitative methods for evaluation of socket motility of

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 <u>Poster presentation</u>, Jules Stein Eye Institute Research and Alumni Day, 1998.
- 1992 1993 : Investigation of traumatic optic neuropathy in a rat model, under Robert A. Goldberg, MD & Kenneth Steinsapir, MD, UCLA School of Medicine. <u>Poster presentation</u>, "Dynamic Changes in Cerebral Glucose Metabolism Following Optic Nerve Trauma", at Neuroscience, 1992.
- 1989 1991: Investigation of the effects of glycation on the function of the sodium-potassium pump, under Margaret H. Garner, PhD ,UCI School of Medicine.
 Publication, "Na,K-ATPase of Cultured Bovine Lens Epithelial Cells: H2O2 Effects", Experimental Eye Research, 1992 Mar, 54 (3): 321-7.
 Poster presentation, "Glucose Control, by Nonenzymatic Glycation of Na, K-ATPase Function in the Nondiabetic", FASEB 1991.

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