

**Question of the Month      February 2-26**  
**Mississippi Optometric Association**

**Question:** BCBS is denying 92025 for a 35 year old unstable keratoconus patient stating it is investigational. Any recommendations on appealing this or am I going to lose this fight regardless?

**Response:** Apparently BCBS Mississippi has had this policy in place for MANY years, long after everyone else has been paying. They are still listing it as investigational and rolling it into the regular examination. In fact, in 2023 they changed the policy wording:

“04/18/2023: Policy description updated regarding devices. Policy statement updated to change ‘not medically necessary’ to ‘investigational.’ [Corneal Topography/Computer-Assisted Corneal Topography/Photokeratoscopy](#)

All the medical policies for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mississippi can be found [here](#).

In addition to the Corneal Topography policy, the following might be of interest (but might not be a complete listing)

[Aqueous Shunts and Stents for Glaucoma](#)

[Atopic Dermatitis](#)

[Blepharoplasty](#)

[Corneal Collagen Cross-Linking](#)

[Diagnostic Uses of Sensory Evoked Potentials \(SEPs\)](#)

[Endothelial Keratoplasty](#)

[Evaluation and Management Home Visit](#)

[Eyelid Thermal Pulsation for the Treatment of Dry Eye Syndrome](#)

[Gas Permeable Scleral Contact Lens](#)

[General Approach to Genetic Testing](#)

[Genetic Testing for Macular Degeneration](#)

[Giant Cell Arteritis](#)

[Implantation of Intrastromal Corneal Ring Segments](#)

[Keratoprosthesis](#)

[Lacrisert \(hydroxypropyl cellulose insert\)](#)

[Low-Level Laser Therapy](#)

[Ophthalmic Anti-Inflammatory Medications](#)

[Ophthalmologic Techniques That Evaluate the Posterior Eye Segment for Glaucoma](#)

[Optical Coherence Tomography of the Anterior Eye Segment](#)

[Orthoptic Training for the Treatment of Vision or Learning Disabilities](#)

[Removal of Benign Skin Lesions and Scars](#)

[Retinal Prosthesis](#)

[Retinal Telescreening for Diabetic Retinopathy](#)

[Screening Services and Procedures](#)

[State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan - Telehealth: Participant-Initiated to Provider Online Evaluation and Management Services](#)

[Suprachoroidal Delivery of Pharmacological Agents](#)

[Telehealth: Remote Patient Monitoring Services](#)

[Telehealth: Store-and-Forward Telemedicine Services](#)

[Transpupillary ThermoTherapy for Treatment of Choroidal Neovascular Conditions](#)

[Ultrasonographic Evaluation of Skin Lesions](#)

[Uveitis](#)