

Good morning CSEA, some of our friends wanted to remind you through this time of Social Distancing, they are still available if you need services from them. Thank you and be safe

RAYMOND OPTICIANS:

I hope this email finds you well. I hope that you and all of your members and their families are safe, secure and healthy. With all the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 and the challenges that we are all experiencing, I wanted to touch base to let you know that Raymond Opticians has been deemed an essential business by Empire State Development. Therefore, we will continue to provide the best possible vision care for your members and their families.

I'd like to first give you an idea of where Raymond Opticians stands in this whole matter. As you may expect, we have suspended Routine Eye Exams throughout our offices as per CDC recommendations. We are, however, open for business to handle your members, and their families Vision Care needs. At this time we are still capable of providing prescription eyewear, eyewear repairs, and Contact Lens replacements. Some stores have limited hours of operations. If any of your members are having trouble getting in touch with their "home" store please ask them to check our website for a nearby store. Our hours are constantly changing in this very fluid situation but as of now we are reachable Monday through Friday from 10a-4p at most offices on an alternating basis.

We would like to resume Routine Eye Exams as soon as possible but we will be waiting for restrictions to be lifted by the CDC. We expect these restrictions to be lifted by mid/late June. When this happens, you can let your members know. We will make sure to give your members and their families their preferred days and times in our schedule.

Our local Ophthalmologists are working on an emergency basis and some have started seeing routine patients. If any of your members need immediate eye care they can call us at the Jefferson Valley office and we can arrange that for them. If any of your members have specific health or vision questions or concerns please have them contact us at our Jefferson Valley office.

I hope that you and your members and their families stay safe during this difficult time. As always, I can be reached at the Jefferson Valley office, or by email ray@raymondopticians.com.

We truly appreciate and value our relationship with your members, and their families. During these difficult times we are available to accommodate your members vision care needs. Please feel free to share this information with your members and contact me if you have any specific concerns or requests.

Be safe,

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I hope you and your family are safe, healthy and staying sane. Alex and I have been taking this time to enjoy the boys, work on projects we've put off, and continue to improve our offices.

We are doing everything we can under the state mandate to serve our patients and help keep their dental emergencies from overwhelming the already taxed doctors offices and hospitals. Please know that my team and I continue to be here for you and your members. All offices remain open and are treating urgent and emergency dental cases. We are taking every precaution. We are using extensive PPE, pre-screening all patients and using rigorous disinfecting standards.

I feel strongly about serving our community, now and always. I know that a lot of dental offices in our area have completely closed leaving their patients with no support. Should you have a member, colleague, family member or friend with a dental emergency we are happy to see them whether or not they are currently a patient.

Please let me know if there is anything else you need. You can always reach me by email or on my cell phone, (646) 320-8247. All the office information is below so you have it if needed.

Hope to see you soon!

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