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RE: Letter of Intent for Credentialing Review

This will serve as a Letter of Intent for submitting an application for Credentialing Review. The Nebraska Optometric Association is requesting this review on behalf of licensed Doctors of Optometry in the State of Nebraska. Our application fee has been sent to Marla Scheer as you had indicated.

The purpose of the requested review is to evaluate the Association's proposal to enhance the authorized scope of practice for licensed optometrists in order to better serve patients throughout Nebraska. The proposed changes can be summarized as follows:

1. Allow Doctors of Optometry to perform selective laser trabeculoplasty for the treatment of glaucoma.
2. Authorize the Board of Optometry to establish additional requirements and qualifications to certify licensees related to the enhanced authority.

We would anticipate that a completed application for Credentialing Review could be ready to submit not later than October 29, 2021.

I will serve as the contact person for the Nebraska Optometric Association relative to this application and can be reached at the address and telephone number on this letterhead or in the signature line below.

We look forward to confirmation from the Department as to acceptance of this application for Credentialing Review and await your notification of the next steps in the process.

Sincerely,

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