

212 (5) The division, in consultation with the board, shall make rules in accordance with  
213 Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, specifying:

214 (a) if applicable, additional laser surgical procedures that an optometrist may perform  
215 under Subsection (1)(d)(iv); and

216 (b) courses that satisfy the requirements in Subsections (3)(a)(ii) and (iii).

217 [~~(6)~~] (6) For purposes of Sections 31A-22-618 and 31A-45-303, an optometrist is a  
218 health care provider.

218a **↔ (7) In a malpractice action against a health care provider under Title 78B, Chapter 3, Part**  
218b **4, Utah Health Care Malpractice Act, for a procedure described in Subsection (1)(d), an**  
218c **optometrist shall be held to the same standard of care as a physician specializing in**  
218d **ophthalmology. ↔**