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§30-8B-6. Treatment guidelines.

(a) A certificate holder may utilize ophthalmic lasers which are considered rational to the diagnosis and treatment of the human eye or its appendages.

(b) The board will maintain a list of approved treatment indications and shall update the list as new treatments, technologies, and training become available.

(c) Approved treatment indications include:

(1) Posterior capsulotomy;

(2) Peripheral iridotomy; and

(3) Selective laser trabeculoplasty (SLT).

(d) The certificate holder shall follow all applicable Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines pertaining to ophthalmic lasers.

(e) The certificate holder shall adhere to generally accepted standards of care and follow established clinical guidelines for utilization of ophthalmic lasers. The certificate holder shall monitor the patient for any adverse reaction and provide appropriate follow up care.

(f) A certificate holder shall report any adverse outcomes related to surgical procedures performed under this article to the board within 10 business days. Such reports shall include the relevant patient records necessary to evaluate the incident, in accordance with applicable privacy laws.

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