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Dear OBA,

It's quite simple. Optometrists with Therapeutics endorsement are registered with a Certificate of Authorization to use prescription drugs in the treatment of certain ocular diseases. Those optometrists who don't have Therapeutics are not issued with a certificate, and therefore cannot prescribe drugs, and their status unaffected.

Any marginalization, or intention of the Board to denigrate, or presume inferiority on those optometrists without Therapeutics is to be looked upon by contempt for the Board. Natural attrition will eventually ensure all registered optometrists are therapeutically endorsed.

I look upon the actions of the new board over this matter with a great deal of dismay and disappointment. It was very badly managed !

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