**ALABAMA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY**
**ADMINISTRATIVE CODE**

**CHAPTER 630-X-12**
**RULES OF CONDUCT**

**630-X-12-.04 Failure To Render Emergency Care.**

It shall be deemed unprofessional conduct for a licensee to refuse to render emergency care, within the scope of this act, to one of said licensee's patients. This section shall require a licensee to render professional services to a patient of said licensee in an emergency regardless of the patient's ability to pay for said services. An emergency shall consist of a potentially sight-threatening situation for the patient and shall not consist of routine visual care.

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