



**David Klein's
life was saved
by a BC Optometrist.**

**You may not
be so lucky.**

New regulations proposed by the B.C. Government will allow opticians – non-eye doctors – to conduct “sight tests” using automated equipment.

But don't be fooled. A sight test is not a thorough eye examination. Only a trained eye doctor – a B.C. Optometrist or Ophthalmologist – can conduct an eye exam to detect serious eye and health problems that often show no obvious symptoms.

Conditions like high blood pressure, diabetes, glaucoma or, in the case of David Klein, a brain tumour that would have claimed his life.

No other jurisdiction in North America allows eye examinations without involving an eye doctor, or lets people order glasses or contact lenses online without verification of a prescription. But that's exactly what B.C. is planning to do.

Eye exams do more than tell if you see well. They are also a vital part of your overall health. Join our Facebook group, **Speak Out for Eye Health**, write your MLA to voice your concern, or to find an optometrist, visit whatcouldbemoreimportant.com



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