**Optometric Staff Stats**

Member doctors of optometry can recognize their staff members with membership in the American Optometric Association (AOA) for no additional dues costs. Below, get a by-the-numbers look at how crucial staff are for practices.

**WHERE THEY WORK**

- **4.9** for nonmember doctors
- **5.9** for solo private practices
- **4.8** for AOA member doctors
- **4.5** for nonsolo private practices
- **3.9** for nonsolo corporate practices

**TOP JOBS:**

**Clinical Staff:** the most common type, obtain patient histories, pretest patients, measure visual acuity, screen for glaucoma and perform other clinical tasks.

**Optical Dispensing Staff:** the second most common type, ensure an OD’s recommendations and specifications are met and help patients find frames that suit their prescription and lifestyle needs.

**WHAT THEY DO**

Optometric staff perform a variety of roles. These are the most common.

- **76%** Clinical
- **72%** Secretary/Receptionist
- **61%** Optical Dispensing
- **59%** Office Manager
- **54%** Coding and Billing
- **30%** Optical Laboratory
- **38%** Financial Coordinator

Source: 2018 Survey of Optometric Practice