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EyeCare Partners Acquires Family Eye Care Center

Boone, NC – Aug. 14, 2018 – EyeCare Partners, LLC (“ECP”) is pleased to announce the acquisition of Family Eye Care Center (“FECC” or “Company”), the North Carolina-based optometry practice of Jeffrey R. Sutton, O.D. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

For nearly 30 years, FECC has treated all aspects of ocular disease, providing comprehensive eye exams, vision therapy and co-management of laser and cataract surgery for adults and children. FECC also offers a complete collection of quality eyewear and contact lenses. As a result of the acquisition, FECC will rebrand to eyecarecenter, joining a growing network of 36 locations throughout North and South Carolina.

Kelly McCrann, CEO of EyeCare Partners, commented, “Dr. Sutton has built a fantastic practice and we look forward to working with him and the rest of the FECC team to continue providing the highest quality of patient care in Watauga county.” Dr. Jim Wachter, Chief Professional Officer, added, “Dr. Sutton’s patient-first mentality and full scope medical practice are exactly the type of doctors we look to add to our growing network of physicians.”

Dr. Sutton commented, “I opened my doors in 1989 and have loved every minute of my patient interactions since, but after countless hours spent on IT, insurance, HIPPA and human resources management, I was ready to get back to the enjoyable part of being an optometrist and focusing on my patients. After significant research and seeking out other practitioners who had transitioned their practices to various groups, we chose to join EyeCare Partners. I was impressed to see that the first thing they did was to get to know my practice. I look forward to getting back to my passion of taking excellent care of my patients and leaving administrative responsibilities to the strong team at ECP.”

About EyeCare Partners, LLC

Based in St. Louis, Missouri, EyeCare Partners currently offers comprehensive medical eye care services throughout Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio and North Carolina. The doctors of EyeCare Partners serve the vision care needs of hundreds of thousands of patients annually. For more information about joining the ECP team, please contact acquisitions@eyecare-partners.com.