

Vision Care Program

With Materials Allowance



Effective July 1, 2008, for members of HMO Illinois and BlueAdvantage HMO

What are my vision care benefits?

As a participant in a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL) HMO Vision Rider benefit, you and your covered dependents are eligible to receive an eye examination and contact lens evaluation, fitting and follow-up once every 12 months, for the cost of your PCP or wellness copayment. Your vision care benefits are available through Davis Vision, Inc., a leading national provider of routine vision care programs. Your benefits include:*

- coverage for one eye examination every 12 months for the cost of your PCP or wellness copayment
- coverage for one contact lens evaluation and fitting after your examination copayment when selecting contact lenses, when performed on the same day as your eye examination
- an allowance, plus discounts off retail cost, toward the purchase of eyeglasses (frames and standard spectacle lenses) and/or contact lenses,** once every 12 or 24 months, depending on your plan benefits.

Remember: Your copayment is due on the day of your visit. In addition, you must visit a Davis Vision network provider to receive coverage for a vision examination, your materials allowance or discount benefit.

Your plan provides an allowance that you can apply toward the discounted cost of eyeglasses or contact lenses.*** Eyeglasses (frames and standard eyeglass lenses) will be discounted*** by 40 percent off retail cost prior to applying the allowance. Contact lenses will be discounted*** 15 percent on conventional types, or 10 percent on disposable types, before applying the allowance. You can access your benefits a couple of different ways.

Independent Provider Locations

When you visit most participating independent provider locations, you will have an additional option for eyeglasses that will let you stretch your plan allowance even further. An Exclusive Collection of frames, provided by Davis Vision, will be available for you to select from. Should you choose any frame from the Exclusive Collection, along with eyeglass lenses, your final out-of-pocket cost will be reduced through a special pricing package offered to BCBSIL members by Davis Vision. This Exclusive Collection will allow you to maximize your vision benefit dollars. In addition, fixed discounted pricing on the most popular spectacle lens enhancements is available at offices displaying the Exclusive Collection.

Retail Locations***

The Davis Vision network also offers you the opportunity to receive services from leading retail locations, featuring Visionworks.[®] There are many convenient Visionworks locations in the Chicagoland area. In addition to the exceptional service available at Visionworks, there is an extensive selection of eyewear, including a large variety of children's frames. Visionworks offers polycarbonate lenses for children at no additional cost and deep discounts on additional pairs of eyewear.

Additional Features

You also can receive discounts on laser vision correction through Davis Vision, featuring the TruVision network. Discounted pricing on disposable contact lenses is available to you through Davis Vision's Lens 1 2 3[®] Mail Order Contact Lens Replacement Program. Contact Davis Vision at (877) 393-8844 for more information about the discount on laser vision correction. Or call TruVision directly at (866) 484-2020 to schedule an appointment.

For more information about using the mail order contact lens replacement program, call (800) LENS-123 ((800) 536-7123) or visit www.lens123.com.

To see how you can enhance your allowance for eyeglasses, select the option "Vision Benefit Calculator" on the member menu page of the Davis Vision Web site, www.davisvision.com.

* For more information about your vision benefits, refer to your benefit booklet or call Member Services.

**Federal law prohibits the dispensing of a quantity of contact lenses whose intended use would exceed the expiration date of the contact lens prescription.

***Discounts do not apply at Wal-Mart.



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How do I locate a Davis Vision provider?

The Davis Vision network consists of major national and regional retail locations, such as EyeMasters and Visionworks, as well as independent ophthalmologists and optometrists.

For a list of Davis Vision providers near you, visit www.bcbsil.com and search the Provider Finder[®] or go to www.davisvision.com.

Do I need a referral?

No referral from your PCP is needed. Simply visit any Davis Vision provider and show your HMO ID card to access your vision care benefits.

Are there any exclusions?

The following items are *not* covered as part of the vision care program:

- Medical treatment of eye disease or injury
- Vision therapy
- Services performed by a provider who is not in the Davis Vision network
- Replacement of lost eyewear
- Services not performed by licensed personnel

For more information, call Davis Vision at **(877) 393-8844** (Mon. – Fri., 7 a.m. – 10 p.m., Sat., 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., Sun., 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Central Time) or visit www.davisvision.com. Contact BCBSIL HMO Member Services toll free at **(800) 892-2803**, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., weekdays. Toll free TDD number: **(866) 876-2194**. Or visit www.bcbsil.com.

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The discounts offered as part of the vision care program are part of BlueExtras,SM a discount program available to BCBSIL members. This program is NOT insurance. Some of the services offered through BlueExtras may be covered under your health plan. Please refer to your benefit booklet or call the customer service number on the back of your ID card for specific benefit information under your health plan. Use of BlueExtras does not affect your premium, nor do costs of BlueExtras' services or products count toward your plan deductible, calendar year or lifetime maximums. Discounts are only available through participating vendors.

BCBSIL does not guarantee or make any claims or recommendations regarding the services or products offered under BlueExtras. You may want to consult with your physician prior to use of these services and products. Services and products are subject to availability by location. BCBSIL reserves the right to discontinue or change this discount program at any time without notice.

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