

Progressive Lenses

Understanding Progressives

Progressives are multifocal lenses that provide a seamless progression of varied lens powers for different distances. They are an upgrade option for traditional bifocal and trifocal lenses, and create a more natural look for the wearer.

Superior Vision's Benefit

Superior Vision covers progressive lenses at the provider's in-office retail price for a standard lined *trifocal*. A member chooses any progressive lens at the provider's office. They then pay the difference between their chosen progressive lens and that provider's price for a lined trifocal. Member out-of-pocket costs are often considerably lower than in other plans wherein the progressives are covered at the bifocal level or associated with high co-pays.



How the Benefit Works

The chart below is an example of a member's out-of-pocket costs for progressive lenses. Note that there are many types and manufacturers of progressive lenses, and prices will vary significantly.

Superior Vision		Bifocal Level		High Co-pay	
\$210	standard progressive	\$210	standard progressive	\$0	standard progressive
(\$185)	standard trifocal	(\$115)	standard bifocal	\$60	co-pay
(\$5)	20% off overage	\$10	co-pay		
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\$20	Out-of-Pocket	\$105	Out-of-Pocket	\$60	Out-of-Pocket

Based on average national pricing for 2012

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