

Vision

Vision Examinations

Most plans provide benefits for one routine eye examination per calendar year. The eye examination may be subject to applicable copayments and deductibles.

Billing Guidelines for Vision Examinations

Levels of eye examinations constitute a single service entry, but need not be performed at one session. This service entry is reimbursed at one fee. Please use the appropriate Current Procedural Terminology (CPT[®]) procedure code(s) for the service(s) rendered.

The service includes:

- History
- Tonometry
- Gross visual fields
- Gonioscopy examination
- External and ophthalmoscopy
- Basis sensorimotor examination
- Determination of the refractive state
- Biomicroscopy examination with cycloplegia or mydriasis

Note: Claims for examinations with an illness or injury diagnosis are processed according to the member's medical office or injury benefit.

Lenses and Frames

Claims for vision hardware are processed according to the member's lens/frame vision benefit, which typically have separate dollar allowances or maximums for lenses and frames.

Note: Charges billed for contact lens fitting and/or warranties are not covered.

Billing Guidelines for Lenses and Frames

- Please include the number of items purchased in the units column of the *CMS-1500* claim form.
- Charges for sales tax are not eligible for benefit consideration, except durable medical equipment defined by Washington State Senate Bill 6273.
- When billing for vision hardware, please submit claims using the appropriate Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (**HCP****CS**) **V** code. If the type of the lens is not specified, it will be processed as single vision.

Additional information about submitting claims is available in the [Claims & Billing](#) section of our *Provider Web Site*, www.asuris.com/provider.

The guidelines in this section are subject to individual plan benefits and may not apply to every member. Please refer to the [Provider Center](#) page on our website to verify patient coverage, benefit types and eligibility effective dates.