

## Basic Vision for Small Business 10/25/120

Exam copayment \$10, materials copayment \$25, frame allowance \$120

Benefit summary  
Effective January 1, 2020

**THIS MATRIX IS INTENDED TO BE USED TO HELP YOU COMPARE COVERAGE BENEFITS AND IS A SUMMARY ONLY. THE *CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE* AND POLICY SHOULD BE CONSULTED FOR A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE BENEFITS AND LIMITATIONS.**

### Using your vision plan

With this vision plan, you have access to an extensive network of vision providers in California and nationwide<sup>1</sup>. Many of the providers are conveniently located in optical centers at retail stores<sup>2</sup> such as LensCrafters, Sears, Target Optical, Wal-Mart (wholesale<sup>3</sup>), and Costco (warehouse<sup>3</sup>, membership required). When you use a network provider, many of your eyecare services are provided at no additional charge.

### What your vision plan covers

| Covered services and eyewear  | Coverage when provided by network providers (after applicable copayment) | Maximum payment when provided by non-network provider |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Comprehensive Examination - every 12 months</b>                                      |  |   |
| Ophthalmologic  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$60                               |
| Optometric  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$50                               |
| <b>Lenses<sup>4</sup> - every 24 months<sup>5</sup></b>                                 |  |   |
| Single Vision   | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$43                               |
| Bifocal   | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$60                               |
| Trifocal  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$75                               |
| Lenticular or Aphakic Monofocal   | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$120                              |
| Lenticular or Aphakic Multifocal  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$200                              |
| Polycarbonate Lenses for Dependent Children   | up to a maximum of \$100   | up to a maximum of \$75                               |
| <b>Frame allowance - every 24 months</b>  | up to a maximum of \$120 <sup>3</sup>                                    | up to a maximum of \$40                               |
| <b>Contact Lenses<sup>6</sup> - every 24 months<sup>5</sup></b>                         |  |   |
| Non-Elective (Medically Necessary) - Hard <sup>7</sup>                                  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$200                              |
| Non-Elective (Medically Necessary) - Soft <sup>7</sup>                                  | 100%   | up to a maximum of \$250                              |
| Elective (Cosmetic/Convenience) - Hard/Soft   | up to a maximum of \$120   | up to a maximum of \$120                              |
| <b>Supplemental Low-Vision Testing and Equipment - covered up to \$1000<sup>7</sup></b> | 75%  | Not Covered   |
| <b>Plano (Non-Prescription) Sunglasses<sup>6, 8</sup></b>                               | up to a maximum of \$120 <sup>3</sup>                                    | Not Covered   |
| <b>Diabetes Management Referral<sup>9</sup></b>   | 100%   | Not Covered   |

## Accessing your vision benefits is easy, just follow these steps:

1. Prior to receiving a service, review your benefit information outlined in the chart on the previous page.
2. Call and make an appointment with a network provider.
3. Alternatively, log into MESVisionOptics.com to access the online network provider to purchase contact lenses online using your benefits. Note, if you choose to take the materials you purchased online to your preferred eye care provider for adjustments you may incur a fitting or adjustment fee which is not covered under your vision benefit plan.

### Or:

If you use a non-network provider, you're required to pay the provider's bill at the time of service. You can get reimbursement by obtaining a claim form from your employer or by logging on to [blueshieldca.com](http://blueshieldca.com). Select *Members*, then *Forms* and then select the *Vision Benefit Claim Form (C-4669-61)* link. Complete and submit the claim form with the itemized receipt and a copy of your prescription to:

Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company  
P.O. Box 25208  
Santa Ana, CA 92799-5208

You will be reimbursed for your expenses up to the maximum payment allowed (see table on previous page). Note that when your dependents submit a claim form for reimbursement, payment will be made to you. Be sure to use your Blue Shield member identification number when filling out the form.

Your vision coverage is underwritten by Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company (Blue Shield Life) and administered by a contracted vision plan administrator.

### LASIK<sup>10</sup>

LASIK and PRK correction surgery, an alternative to contacts or glasses, is one of the fastest growing vision treatments. The discount program gives covered employees access to:

- A 15% discount through the NVISION, Inc. provider network in California, or
- A 20% discount through the QualSight provider network in California and nationwide.

### Discount Vision Program<sup>10</sup>

- Routine eye examinations
- Frames and lenses
- Photochromic lenses
- Hard contact lenses
- Tints and coatings
- Extra pair of glasses
- Non-prescription sunglasses

Find a network provider nearest you by going to the *Find a Provider* section on [blueshieldca.com](http://blueshieldca.com), or calling Member Services at **(877) 601-9083**. You'll find a complete listing of ophthalmologists, optometrists, and opticians.

- 1 Nationwide vision providers are available by arrangement through a contracted vision plan administrator.
- 2 Availability of retail store locations varies by state. Refer to [blueshieldcavision.com](http://blueshieldcavision.com) for out-of-state retail locations.
- 3 When the network provider uses wholesale or warehouse pricing, the maximum allowable frame allowance will be as follows: wholesale allowance: \$75.47, warehouse allowance \$78.96. Network providers using wholesale or warehouse pricing are identified in the Directory of Network Vision Providers. You pay any cost above the allowed amount.
- 4 Fit any frame with an eye size less than 61 mm.
- 5 A change in standard lenses (excludes unusual lenses, such as oversize, no-line bifocal, or a material other than ordinary plastic) or contact lenses is covered per 12-month period if required by qualified prescription change, defined as a change in prescription of 0.50 diopters or more in one or both eyes; a shift in axis of astigmatism of 15 degrees; a difference in vertical prism greater than one prism diopter; or a change in lens type.
- 6 In lieu of lenses and frame.
- 7 A report from the provider and prior authorization from a contracted vision plan administrator is required.
- 8 For insured persons who have had PRK, LASIK, or custom LASIK vision correction surgery only, this benefit of plano sunglasses allowance is equal to the plan's frame allowance. An eye exam by a network provider is required to verify laser surgery or a note from the surgeon who performed the laser surgery is required to verify laser surgery.
- 9 The diabetes disease management referral program is available to employees who enroll in both Blue Shield medical and vision coverage.
- 10 The network of practitioners and facilities in the discount programs are managed by the external program administrators identified below, including any screening and credentialing of providers. Blue Shield Life does not review the services provided by discount program providers for medical necessity or efficacy. Nor does Blue Shield Life make any recommendations, representations, claims or guarantees regarding the practitioners, their availability, fee, services, or products. Some services offered through the discount program may already be included as part of the Blue Shield Life plan covered services. Members should access those covered services prior to using the discount program.

Blue Shield Life reserves the right to terminate this program at any time without notice.

Discount programs are administered by or arranged through the following independent companies:

- Vision discount program – MESVision
- LASIK discount programs:
  - NVISION Laser Eye Centers, Inc. (within California)
  - QualSight, Inc. (within California and nationwide)

# Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company

## Notice Informing Individuals about Nondiscrimination and Accessibility Requirements

### Discrimination is against the law

Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company complies with applicable state laws and federal civil rights laws, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability. Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

Blue Shield Life:

- Provides aids and services at no cost to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us such as:
  - Qualified sign language interpreters
  - Written information in other formats (including large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, and other formats)
- Provides language services at no cost to people whose primary language is not English such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact the Blue Shield Life Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that Blue Shield Life has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability, you can file a grievance with:

### Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company Civil Rights Coordinator

P.O. Box 629007

El Dorado Hills, CA 95762-9007

Phone: (844) 831-4133 (TTY: 711)

Fax: (844) 696-6070

Email: [BlueShieldCivilRightsCoordinator@blueshieldca.com](mailto:BlueShieldCivilRightsCoordinator@blueshieldca.com)

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, our Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You may also contact the California Department of Insurance if you believe that Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability. You can file a grievance with:

California Department of Insurance  
Consumer Communications Bureau  
300 S. Spring Street, South Tower  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Phone: 1-800-927-HELP (4357) or TDD 1-800-482-4833

Complaint forms are available at

**[www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/101-help](http://www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/101-help)**

If you believe that you have not been provided these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at **<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>**, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue SW.  
Room 509F, HHH Building  
Washington, DC 20201

(800) 368-1019; TTY: (800) 537-7697

Complaint forms are available at

**[www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html](http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html)**.

# Notice of the Availability of Language Assistance Services

## Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company

**No Cost Language Services.** You can get an interpreter. You can get documents read to you and some sent to you in your language. For help, call us at the number listed on your ID card or 1-866-346-7198. For more help call the CA Dept. of Insurance at 1-800-927-4357. English

**Servicios de idiomas sin costo.** Puede obtener un intérprete. Le pueden leer documentos y que le envíen algunos en español. Para obtener ayuda, llámenos al número que figura en su tarjeta de identificación o al 1-866-346-7198. Para obtener más ayuda, llame al Departamento de Seguros de CA al 1-800-927-4357. Spanish

**免費語言服務。** 您可獲得口譯員服務。可以用中文把文件唸給您聽，有些文件有中文的版本，也可以把這些文件寄給您。欲取得協助，請致電您的保險卡所列的電話號碼，或撥打 1-866-346-7198 與我們聯絡。欲取得其他協助，請致電 1-800-927-4357 與加州保險部聯絡。Chinese

**Các Dịch Vụ Trợ Giúp Ngôn Ngữ Miễn Phí.** Quý vị có thể được nhận dịch vụ thông dịch. Quý vị có thể được người khác đọc giúp các tài liệu và nhận một số tài liệu bằng tiếng Việt. Để được giúp đỡ, hãy gọi cho chúng tôi tại số điện thoại ghi trên thẻ hội viên của quý vị hoặc 1-866-346-7198. Để được trợ giúp thêm, xin gọi Sở Bảo Hiểm California tại số 1-800-927-4357. Vietnamese

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**Walang Gastos na mga Serbisyo sa Wika.** Makakakuha ka ng interpreter o tagasalin at maipababasa mo sa Tagalog ang mga dokumento. Para makakuha ng tulong, tawagan kami sa numerong nakalista sa iyong ID card o sa 1-866-346-7198. Para sa karagdagang tulong, tawagan ang CA Dept. of Insurance sa 1-800-927-4357 Tagalog

**Ամսօր Լեզվական Ծառայություններ:** Դուք կարող եք թարգման ձեռք բերել և փաստաթղթերը ընթերցել տալ ձեզ համար հայերեն լեզվով: Օգնության համար մեզ զանգահարեք ձեր ինքնության (ID) տոմսի վրա նշված կամ 1-866-346-7198 համարով: Լրացուցիչ օգնության համար 1-800-927-4357 համարով զանգահարեք Կալիֆորնիայի Ապահովագրության Բաժանմունք: Armenian

**Бесплатные услуги перевода.** Вы можете воспользоваться услугами переводчика, и ваши документы прочтут для вас на русском языке. Если вам требуется помощь, звоните нам по номеру, указанному на вашей идентификационной карте, или 1-866-346-7198. Если вам требуется дополнительная помощь, звоните в Департамент страхования штата Калифорния (Department of Insurance), по телефону 1-800-927-4357. Russian

**無料の言語サービス** 日本語で通訳をご提供し、書類をお読みします。サービスをご希望の方は、IDカード記載の番号または1-866-346-7198までお問い合わせください。更なるお問い合わせは、カリフォルニア州保険庁、1-800-927-4357までご連絡ください。Japanese

**خدمات مجانی مربوط به زبان.** میتوانید از خدمات یک مترجم شفاهی استفاده کنید و بگوئید مدارک به زبان فارسی برایتان خوانده شوند. برای دریافت کمک، با ما از طریق شماره تلفنی که روی کارت شناسائی شما قید شده است و یا این شماره 1-866-346-7198 تماس بگیرید. برای دریافت کمک بیشتر، به CA Dept. of Insurance (اداره بیمه کالیفرنیا) به شماره 1-800-927-4357 تلفن کنید. Persian

**ਮੁਫਤ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ:** ਤੁਸੀਂ ਦੁਬਾਰੀਏ ਦੀਆਂ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਹਾਸਲ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ ਅਤੇ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਸੁਣ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਕੁਝ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਭੇਜੇ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਨ। ਮਦਦ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਆਈਡੀ (ID) ਕਾਰਡ 'ਤੇ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਨੰਬਰ 'ਤੇ ਜਾਂ 1-866-346-7198 'ਤੇ ' ਸਾਨੂੰ ਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ। ਵਧੇਰੇ ਮਦਦ ਲਈ ਕੈਲੀਫੋਰਨੀਆ ਡਿਪਾਰਟਮੈਂਟ ਆਫ਼ ਇਨਸੂਰੈਂਸ ਨੂੰ 1-800-927-4357 'ਤੇ ਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ। Punjabi

**សេវាកម្មភាសាភាគីតិចៗ** អ្នកអាចទទួលបានអ្នកបកប្រែភាសា និងអានឯកសារជូនអ្នកជា ភាសាខ្មែរ ។ សម្រាប់ជំនួយ សូមទូរស័ព្ទមកយើងខ្ញុំតាមលេខដែលមានបង្ហាញលើប័ណ្ណសំគាល់ខ្លួនរបស់អ្នក ឬលេខ 1-866-346-7198 ។ សម្រាប់ជំនួយបន្ថែមទៀត សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅក្រសួងធានារ៉ាប់រងរដ្ឋកាលីហ្វ័រញ៉ា តាមលេខ 1-800-927-4357 Khmer

**خدمات ترجمة بدون تكلفة.** يمكنك الحصول علي مترجم و قراءة الوثائق لك باللغة العربية. للحصول علي المساعدة، اتصل بنا علي الرقم المبين علي بطاقة عضويتك أو علي الرقم 1-866-346-7198. للحصول علي المزيد من المعلومات، اتصل بإدارة التأمين لولاية كاليفورنيا علي الرقم 1-800-927-4357 Arabic .

**Cov Kev Pab Txhais Lus Tsis Them Nqi.** Koj yuav thov tau kom muaj neeg los txhais lus rau koj thiab kom neeg nyeem cov ntawv ua lus Hmoob. Yog xav tau kev pab, hu rau peb ntawm tus xov tooj nyob hauv koj daim yuaj ID los sis 1-866-346-7198. Yog xav tau kev pab ntxiv hu rau CA lub Caj Meem Fai Muab Kev Tuav Pov Hwm ntawm 1-800-927-4357 Hmong

บริการทางภาษาอย่างไม่เสียค่าใช้จ่าย คุณสามารถรับบริการจากล่าม รวมถึงให้เจ้าหน้าที่อ่านเอกสารให้คุณฟัง หรือส่งเอกสารบางส่วนในภาษาของคุณไปหาคุณได้ หากต้องการความช่วยเหลือ กรุณาโทรศัพท์ตามหมายเลขที่ระบุอยู่ด้านหลังบัตรประจำตัวของคุณ หรือ ที่หมายเลข 1-866-346-7198 หากต้องการความช่วยเหลือเพิ่มเติม โปรดโทรมาที่ กรมการประกันภัยแห่งมลรัฐแคลิฟอร์เนียที่หมายเลข 1-800-927-4357 Thai

निःशुल्क भाषा सेवाएँ। आप एक दुभाषिया की सेवा प्राप्त कर सकते हैं। आप दस्तावेजों को पढ़वा के सुन सकते हैं और कुछ को अपनी भाषा में स्वयं को भिजवा सकते हैं। सहायता के लिए, अपने ID कार्ड पर दिए गए नंबर पर, या 1-866-346-7198 पर हमें फ़ोन करें। अधिक सहायता के लिए कैलीफोर्निया बीमा विभाग (CA Dept. of Insurance) को 1-800-927-4357 पर फ़ोन करें। Hindi

**Doo bááh ílínígó saad bee yát'i' bee aná'áwo'.** Díí shá ata'halne'dooígí hólóq̄doo nínízingo éí bííghah. Naaltsoos naanináhájeehígí shich'i' yíidooltah éí doodagó ła' shich'i' ádoonííł nínízingo bííghah. Shíká a'doowoł nínízingo nihich'i' béesh bee hodíílnih dóo námbóo éí díí ninaaltsoos dootł'ízhígí bee néího'díłzinígí bine'déé' bikáá' éí doodagó éí (866)346-7198jí' hodíílnih. Hózhó shíká anáá'doowoł nínízingo éí díí béeso ách'ąąh naa'nil bił haz'ąąjí' 1-800-927-4357jí' hodíílnih. Navajo

**ບໍລິການແປພາສາໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າ.** ທ່ານສາມາດຂໍເອົາຜູ້ແປພາສາໄດ້. ທ່ານສາມາດຂໍໃຫ້ອ່ານເອກະສານໃຫ້ທ່ານຟັງ ແລະ ສົ່ງເອກະສານບາງຢ່າງທີ່ເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານ. ສໍາລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ໃຫ້ໂທຫາພວກເຮົາຕາມເບີໂທລະສັບທີ່ມີ ໃນບັດປະຈໍາຕົວຂອງທ່ານ ຫຼື ໂທຫາເບີ 1-866-346-7198. ສໍາລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອເພີ່ມເຕີມໂທຫາ ພະແນກ ປະກັນໄພຂອງ ລັດຄາລິຟໍເນຍໄດ້ທີ່ເບີ 1-800-927-4357. Laotian