
To Qualify

To be eligible you must:

- Be 65 years of age or older,
- Reside in Alberta for at least three months before applying,
- Be a Canadian citizen or admitted to Canada for permanent residence (landed immigrant),
- Have submitted a completed Seniors Financial Assistance programs application form, and
- Have an income level within the limits allowed by the program.

To Apply

If you have not applied for Seniors Financial Assistance programs, please visit alberta.ca/dental-optical-assistance-seniors.aspx to learn how to apply or call 1-877-644-9992 or 780-644-9992 in the Edmonton area.



Basic Optical

Provides funding towards the purchase of prescription eyeglasses to a maximum of \$230 every three years, depending on your eligibility at the time of purchase.




Basic Dental

Provides basic dental coverage up to a maximum of \$5,000 every five years. Dental coverage is based on the Dental Assistance for Seniors Program Fee Schedule, which establishes the dental benefits and the frequency of coverage for eligible dental services. Information related to the dental program and associated dental fee schedule can be viewed at: alberta.ca/dental-optical-assistance-seniors.aspx.


Please note the dental program does not provide full coverage of the fees charged by Alberta dental providers.

For questions about your dental claim:

Alberta Dental Service Corporation


 1-800-232-1997
780-426-7526

 www.adsc.org


 Alberta Dental Service Corporation
200, 17010 103 Avenue NW
Edmonton, AB
T5S 1K7

For questions about your optical claim:

Alberta Blue Cross


 1-800-661-6995
780-498-8000
403-234-9666

 www.ab.bluecross.ca


 Alberta Blue Cross
Box 26000 Station Main
Edmonton, AB T5J 2P4

For questions about your eligibility:

Alberta Supports Contact Centre

 1-877-644-9992
780-644-9992

Deaf or Hard of Hearing with TDD/TYY units:

 1-800-232-7215
780-427-9999

 alberta.ca/health.aspx



Dental and Optical Assistance for Seniors Programs

Information about who qualifies and how to apply



	Maximum Coverage	Partial Coverage	No Coverage
Single Senior	\$0 - \$31,080	\$31,081 - \$31,675	Over \$31,675
Senior Couple	\$0 - \$62,160	\$62,161 - \$63,350	Over \$63,350

Eligibility for the Dental and Optical Assistance for Seniors Programs is determined by a senior's Total Income (line 15000) as reported to the Canada Revenue Agency in the previous tax year. For the 2023/2024 benefit year (July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024), your 2022 Total Income will be used to determine your eligibility.

For information on coverage levels and eligible services, visit alberta.ca/dental-optical-assistance-seniors.aspx or call the Alberta Supports Contact Centre toll-free at 1-877-644-9992.



Receiving Dental Services

Prior to receiving dental services, ask your dental provider to submit a pre-authorization to the Alberta Dental Service Corporation. This will determine how much the dental program will cover and how much you will be responsible for.

Dental offices may bill the Alberta Dental Service Corporation directly for the dental services provided to you. If your dental provider accepts this method, you will only be required to pay any outstanding amount not covered by the program.

If your dental provider does not offer direct billing, you will be required to pay your dental provider the full amount and request reimbursement through the Alberta Dental Service Corporation. Claims for reimbursement can be submitted to the Alberta Dental Service Corporation by mail, fax, email to claims@adsc.org, or through the dental program Client Portal.

The dental program Client Portal will also inform you of your remaining dental funding, if a previous claim has been processed and paid, and allow you to update your address or banking information. Go to my.adsc.org/login to create your online the dental program account.

Receiving Optical Services

Prior to receiving optical services, ask your optical provider to submit a pre-authorization to Alberta Blue Cross. This will determine how much the optical program will cover and how much you will be responsible for.

Optical offices may bill Alberta Blue Cross directly for optical services provided to you. If your optical provider accepts this method, you will only be required to pay any outstanding amount not covered by the program.

If your optical provider does not offer direct billing, you will be required to pay your optical provider the full amount and request reimbursement through Alberta Blue Cross.

To do so, complete the Alberta Blue Cross reimbursement claim form and mail to Alberta Blue Cross. You can also create an online account at <https://ab.bluecross.ca/forms.php> so you can track if your claim has been processed and paid.

Out of Province or Country Claims

All dental and optical services supported by these programs must be completed by a provider located in Alberta. Any dental or optical services completed outside of the province or country will not be reimbursed.