



New lens formularies

Effective May 1, 2021, UnitedHealthcare Progressive and Anti-Reflective formularies will be updated to add more lens options at varying price points. Our lens options are price-protected to allow patients to better predict their out-of-pocket expenses.



Progressives				
Previous name	New Tier name	Previous cost	New cost	Savings
Standard	Tier I	\$70	\$55	\$15
Deluxe	Tier II	\$110	\$100	\$10
Premium	Tier III	\$150	\$150	–
Platinum	Tier IV	\$250	\$200	\$50
NA	Tier V	NA	\$250	–

Anti-reflective coatings				
Previous name	New Tier name	Previous cost	New cost	Savings
Standard	Tier I	\$40	\$30	\$10
Premium	Tier II	\$80	\$50	\$30
Platinum	Tier III	\$90	\$75	\$15
NA	Tier IV	NA	\$95	–

Not all plans include lens option or materials coverage. Costs only apply to selection list materials.

Definitions and recommendation guidelines

Progressive – Sometimes called “no-line bifocals” because they don’t have bifocal or trifocal segment lines. Progressives are designed to help your eye transition between near and far distances, similar to what the eye does naturally. There are 5 tiers of progressive lenses on our lens options list. Each tier offers different levels of technology. Tier I is the most cost-conscious option, where Tier V has a more natural feel. Recommended for people who need bifocals but don’t want visible lines in their glasses.

Anti-reflective (AR) coating – A coating that is added to lenses to reduce reflection, glare and smudges and help sharpen vision in all lighting conditions. Some AR lenses also filter blue light when you use electronic devices. There are 4 tiers of AR coatings available—each tier offers a different level of scratch and glare resistant protection, with Tier IV giving the highest level of protection, including features to help keep your glasses cleaner. Recommended for everyone; this is the second-most-popular item people add to their glasses.