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## 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.

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## To Apply

If you have not applied for Seniors Financial Assistance programs, please visit <https://www.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

**Includes: Prescription eyeglasses (i.e., lenses and frames).**

Depending on your eligibility at the time of purchase, the program may pay up to a maximum amount of \$230.



### Basic Dental


**Includes: Exams, cleanings, fillings, extractions, root canals and basic dentures.**

The Dental Assistance for Seniors program only pays for the dental services included in the plan's dental fee schedule, including the specific fee rates. If your dental provider does not follow the plan's dental fee schedule, you will have a portion you are responsible to pay. To maximize your dental benefits, you may wish to compare the fees of two or more dental providers.


For more information about the plan's fee schedule, please visit [open.alberta.ca/publications/dental-assistance-for-seniors-program-schedule-of-procedures-and-fees](https://open.alberta.ca/publications/dental-assistance-for-seniors-program-schedule-of-procedures-and-fees).

### For questions about your dental claim:

#### Alberta Dental Service Corporation


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

 [www.adsc.org](http://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](http://www.ab.bluecross.ca)


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

### For questions about your eligibility:

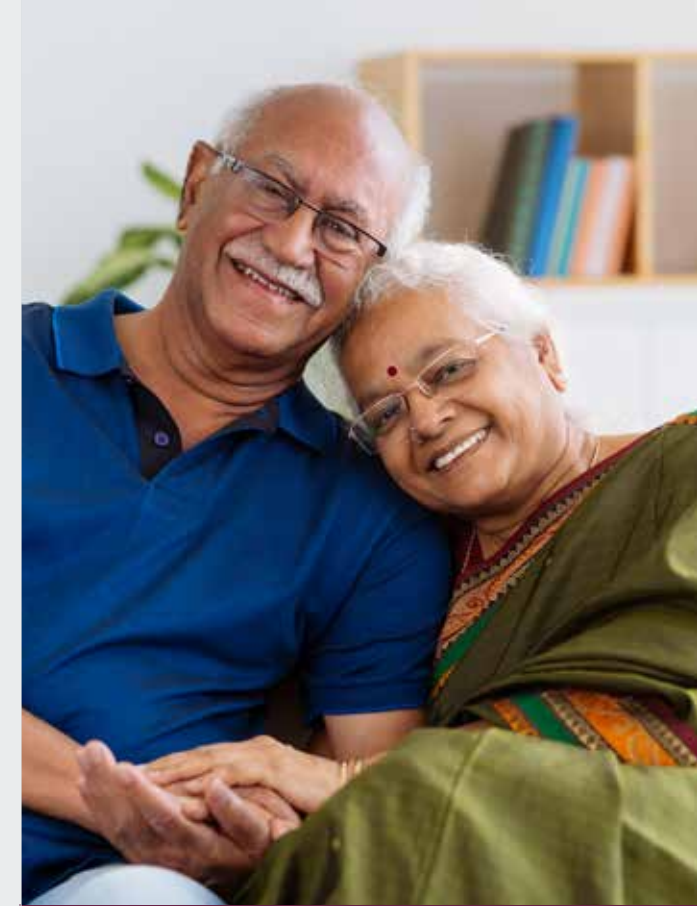
#### Alberta Supports Contact Centre

 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](http://alberta.ca/health.aspx)



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# Dental and Optical Assistance for Seniors Programs

## Information about who qualifies and how to apply



Marital Status	Total Household Annual Income	Dental	Optical
Single Senior	\$0 to \$29,630	Maximum Coverage* (100%)	Up to \$230
	\$29,631 to \$31,675	Partial Coverage** (99% to 10%)	Up to \$115
	Over \$31,675	Not Eligible	Not Eligible
Senior Couple	\$0 to \$59,260	Maximum Coverage* (100%)	Up to \$230
	\$59,261 to \$63,350	Partial coverage** (99% to 10%)	Up to \$115
	Over \$63,350	Not Eligible	Not Eligible

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 2022/2023 benefit year (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023), your 2021 Total Income will be used to determine your eligibility.

### Amount of Benefit

The Dental Assistance for Seniors Program provides basic dental coverage up to a maximum of \$5,000 every five years.

The Optical Assistance for Seniors Program provides financial assistance for the purchase of prescription eyeglasses up to a maximum of \$230 every three years.

### 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.

### Receiving Dental Services

Prior to receiving dental services, ask your dental provider to submit a predetermination (your cost estimate) to the Alberta Dental Services Corporation (ADSC). Your dental provider can determine how much the plan will cover for your dental services and how much you will be responsible for.

If your dental provider does not offer direct billing, complete the ADSC reimbursement claim form and mail to ADSC. You can also submit the dental claim directly to ADSC by creating an online account with them at [my.adsc.org/login](https://my.adsc.org/login). Your online account will also inform you of your remaining dental funding, if a previous claim has been paid, and allow you to update your address or banking information.

### Receiving Optical Services

Prior to receiving optical services, ask your optical provider to submit a predetermination (your cost estimate) to Alberta Blue Cross (ABC). Your optical provider can determine how much the plan will cover for your optical services and how much you will be responsible for.

If your optical provider does not offer direct billing, complete the ABC reimbursement claim form and mail to ABC. If you create an online account at [ab.bluecross.ca/forms.php](https://ab.bluecross.ca/forms.php), you will be able to track if your claim has been paid.

\* Maximum coverage means you will be funded 100% of the fee listed in the Dental Assistance for Seniors Program Fee Schedule.

\*\* Partial coverage means you will be funded 99% to 10% of the fee listed in the Dental Assistance for Seniors Program Fee Schedule.