

FEDVIP Vision Coverage for Active Duty Family Members



The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is proud to offer the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP).

About FEDVIP

Sponsored by OPM, FEDVIP is a voluntary, enrollee-pay-all dental and vision program available to federal employees and annuitants, certain retired uniformed service members, active duty family members, and survivors. It's popular among federal employees, who give the program high marks for quality and value. FEDVIP offers you a choice between 12 dental and 5 vision carriers, so you can select the right coverage for you and your family.

Who's eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage?

Family members of active duty uniformed service members who are enrolled in a TRICARE health plan are eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage.

What TRICARE health plans satisfy eligibility for FEDVIP vision coverage?

- ▶ TRICARE Select
- ▶ TRICARE Prime
- ▶ TRICARE Reserve Select
- ▶ Uniformed Services Family Health Plan

When you enroll in a FEDVIP vision plan, you have a choice between three enrollment types: self, self plus one, or self and family.

How much does FEDVIP cost?

To familiarize yourself with FEDVIP and its current offerings, visit [BENEFEDS.gov/military](https://www.benefeds.gov/military). Use the plan comparison tool to view current FEDVIP plans and premiums and compare up to three vision plans side-by-side.

Am I eligible for FEDVIP dental coverage?

No. Family members of active duty uniformed service members are not eligible for FEDVIP dental coverage. You are still eligible to enroll in the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP).

What do FEDVIP vision plans cover?

FEDVIP vision plans provide comprehensive vision coverage, including routine eye exams and vision correction without a referral. Plans also include:

- ▶ eyeglass frames and lenses, or contact lenses instead of glasses, at many eye doctor offices or optical retail stores
- ▶ lens options such as shatter-resistant polycarbonate, scratch-resistant, anti-reflective, UV coatings, and tinted and progressive lenses
- ▶ low vision exams
- ▶ discounts on laser eye surgery

Note: Plan restrictions and limitations apply.



What FEDVIP vision plans are available?

FEDVIP offers a choice between five nationwide plans with international coverage:

- ▶ Aetna VisionSM Preferred
- ▶ Blue Cross Blue Shield[®] FEP VisionSM
- ▶ MetLife[®] Federal Vision Plan
- ▶ UnitedHealthcare[®] Vision
- ▶ VSP[®] Vision Care

Note: We encourage you to share this list of FEDVIP vision carriers with your preferred provider to confirm whether they accept these plans.

When can I enroll?

The Federal Benefits Open Season is your annual opportunity to enroll in, change, or cancel a FEDVIP plan. Each year, open season runs from the Monday of the second full work week in November through the Monday of the second full work week in December, with coverage effective January 1 the following year. Visit **BENEFEDS.gov** to enroll.

Can I enroll in a FEDVIP plan outside open season?

You can only enroll in FEDVIP coverage outside of open season if you are newly eligible or experience a FEDVIP qualifying life event (QLE). Some examples include getting married, losing other vision coverage, and acquiring a family member (e.g., birth of a child). The actions you or your dependents may take depend on what type of QLE you have experienced. Visit **BENEFEDS.gov** for full QLE guidelines.

Am I still eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage if my family member is retiring or recently retired from the uniformed services?

You are no longer eligible as a primary enrollee upon your family member's retirement. You or your family member must call and notify BENEFEDS of the retirement, and your coverage will be inactivated. Your family member, as the sponsor, must then enroll in FEDVIP dental and/or vision coverage as a retired uniformed service member, then add you and other eligible family members as dependents to their coverage. The sponsor may enroll between 31 days prior to the military retirement date and 60 days following. **Note:** To prevent a gap in dental coverage, your family member must enroll prior to their retirement date.

Learn more

BENEFEDS is the government-authorized online portal that you can use to research, enroll in, and manage your FEDVIP coverage. BENEFEDS also administers the billing systems and customer service functions necessary for the collection of FEDVIP premiums. For questions, visit **BENEFEDS.gov/military** or call our Customer Service Center at **1-877-888-FEDS** (1-877-888-3337) TTY 711.

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