

**DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION**

BENEFITS DIVISION  
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Dear State Retiree/Annuitant:

As a State of California retiree and/or annuitant, you are eligible to enroll in the State Retiree Vision Program, which is being offered through VSP® Vision Care. The Retiree Vision Program provides vision care coverage for you and your eligible dependents.

**When can I enroll?**

The enrollment period is October 10 – November 4, 2011. If you enroll, your election is effective January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012 (12 months). If you don't enroll by November 4, 2011, your next opportunity to enroll will be during fall 2012, with a January 2013 effective date.

**How can I enroll?**

You have three convenient options:

1. Visit VSP at [vsp.com/go/stateofca](http://vsp.com/go/stateofca) and complete the online enrollment form.
2. Call VSP at 800.877.7195 and speak to a Member Services Representative.
3. Complete and mail the enclosed VSP Enrollment Form.

**How do I pay for the vision benefit?**

The cost will be deducted directly from your State retirement warrant. If you do not have enough in your warrant to cover the cost, you will be billed directly by VSP. See the third page of this booklet for the monthly cost of the benefit.

**After I enroll, how do I use my vision benefit?**

Using your vision benefit is easy:

1. Find a VSP network doctor at [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) or call VSP Member Services at 800.877.7195.
2. Make an appointment and tell the doctor you are a VSP member.
3. Your doctor will handle the rest!

For more information about VSP, please refer to the enclosed materials or visit [vsp.com](http://vsp.com). If you have questions regarding this information you may call VSP at 800.877.7195.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Beatty".

Greg Beatty, Chief  
Benefits Division

Enclosure

## Keep your eyes healthy with The State of California and VSP® Vision Care.

Why enroll in VSP? Your eyes deserve the best care to keep them healthy year after year. Plus with VSP, you'll get a great value on your eyecare and eyewear.

### You'll like what you see with VSP.

- **Personalized Care.** You'll get quality care that focuses on your eyes and overall wellness with VSP. Plus, your satisfaction is guaranteed when you see a VSP doctor.
- **Great Eyewear.** Choose the eyewear that's right for you and your budget.
- **Choice of Providers.** With open access to see any eyecare provider, you can see the one who's right for you. Choose a VSP Select network doctor or any other provider.

### Enrolling in VSP is easy.

Choose one of these convenient options:

- **Online:** Visit VSP at [vsp.com/go/stateofca](http://vsp.com/go/stateofca) and complete the online enrollment form.
- **Phone:** Call VSP at **800.877.7195** and speak with a member services representative, Pacific Time, Monday - Friday, 5:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 6:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- **Mail:** Complete and mail the enclosed VSP Enrollment Form in the postage-paid return envelope.

### Choice in Eyewear

From classic styles to the latest designer frames, you'll find hundreds of options for you and your family. Choose from great brands, like bebe®, Calvin Klein, Disney, FENDI, Nike, and Tommy Bahama®.

Enroll in VSP today.  
You'll be glad you did.  
[vsp.com/go/stateofca](http://vsp.com/go/stateofca)  
**800.877.7195**

Save with VSP coverage:*	Without VSP Coverage	With VSP Coverage
Eye Exam	\$140	\$10 Copay
Frame	\$75	\$25 Copay
Bifocal Lenses	\$139	
Transitions® Lenses	\$104	\$0
Retiree-only Annual Premium	N/A	\$91
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$458</b>	<b>\$126</b>

\*Comparison based on national averages for comprehensive eye exams and most commonly purchased brands.

Average  
Annual Savings  
**\$332**  
with a  
VSP Doctor

## Your VSP Vision Benefits Summary

The State of California and VSP provide you with an affordable eyecare plan.

**Open Enrollment: October 10 - November 4, 2011 • Coverage Effective: January 1, 2012**

**VSP Doctor Network:** VSP Select

Visit [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) for more details on your vision benefit and for exclusive savings and promotions for VSP members.

Benefit	Description	Copay	Frequency
<b>Your Coverage with a VSP Doctor</b>			
<b>WellVision Exam<sup>®</sup></b>	Focuses on your eyes and overall wellness	\$10	Every calendar year
<b>Prescription Glasses</b>		\$25	See Frame and Lens
<b>Frame</b>	• \$75 allowance for a wide selection of frames		Every calendar year
<b>Lenses</b>	• Single vision, lined bifocal, and lined trifocal lenses		
<b>Lens Options</b>	• Tints, including photochromic lenses	\$0	Every calendar year
<b>Contacts (instead of glasses)</b>	• \$110 allowance for eye exam, contacts and contact lens exam (fitting and evaluation) • 15% off contact lens exam (fitting and evaluation)		Every calendar year
<b>Extra Savings and Discounts</b>	<b>Laser Vision Correction</b> • Average 15% off the regular price or 5% off the promotional price; discounts only available from contracted facilities.		
<b>Your Monthly Contribution</b>	\$ 7.53 ..... Retiree-only \$ 14.62 ..... Retiree + One Dependent \$ 15.73 ..... Retiree + Family		

### Your Coverage with Other Providers

Visit [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) for details, if you plan to see a provider other than a VSP doctor.

Exam..... up to \$35	Single Vision Lenses.....up to \$25	Lined Trifocal Lenses.....up to \$50	Tints.....up to \$5
Frame..... up to \$40	Lined Bifocal Lenses.....up to \$50	Progressive.....up to \$50	Contacts.....up to \$110

VSP guarantees service from VSP doctors only. Coverage information is subject to change. In the event of a conflict between this information and your organization's contract with VSP, the terms of the contract will prevail.



Keep your eyes healthy and your vision clear with VSP.