



Visually Impaired Program

The Visually Impaired program provides financial assistance and support to access assistive devices such as, but not limited to, personal magnifiers, talking watches or clocks, and other devices.

Eligibility for the Visually Impaired Program

- Must be 60 years old or older
- Must be a Weld County resident
- Visual impairment that is not correctable with glasses

Why is the Visually Impaired Program Important?

Visual aids and adaptive technology enhance the lives of people with visual impairments.

For more information, please call (970) 400-6629.



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Although there is no formal charge for Weld County AAA programs, donations are accepted for the services provided. Services are not denied to individuals who are unable to make a donation.



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Dental, Vision and Hearing & Visually Impaired Programs

Dedicated to enriching the lives of Weld County older adults



About the Programs

These programs provide financial assistance for the eligible 60+ population of Weld County who is in need of dental, vision and/or hearing services, or has a visual impairment that cannot be corrected with glasses.

Due to funding limitations, the financial assistance received may not cover the full cost of the requested services. Any amount expended over the award is the responsibility of the recipient. Funding sources may include both state and grant monies. Any dental, vision or hearing costs already incurred or paid for will not be covered by the program.

Why is Dental, Vision and Hearing Health Important?

As we age, parts of the body—teeth, eyes and ears, for example—need more preventative and routine care. Visiting a doctor on a routine basis may help identify potential problems with your dental, vision or hearing.



Oral health problems can cause pain and suffering as well as difficulty in speaking, chewing and swallowing. These problems can also be a complication from certain medications used to treat systemic diseases; in turn, treatment of these diseases can be complicated by oral bacterial infections.

In addition to normal changes in vision, older adults may experience eye disorders, health problems or injuries that can permanently affect eyesight, resulting in blurred or distorted images, or the loss of central or side vision. A number of conditions may potentially impair vision, the most common of which are macular degeneration, glaucoma, cataracts and diabetic retinopathy.

Hearing loss is one of the most common conditions affecting older adults. One in three people older than 60, and half of those older than 85, have hearing loss. Hearing problems can make it hard to understand and follow a doctor's advice, to respond to warnings, and to enjoy talking with friends and family, thereby increasing isolation.

Covered Services

- Exams
- Extractions
- Dentures
- Eyeglass frames
- Eyeglass lenses
- Hearing aids
- Other items may be covered on a case-by-case basis

Providers

Prior approval must be obtained before services are performed. Approved applicants may obtain services by the provider of their choice. An established list of providers is available to recipients upon request.

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