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# "I Object!"

#### **Overcoming Patient Objections**



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#### Your Attitude



#### • How do you behave?

- Happy?
- Angry?
- Engaged?
- Frustrated?
- Patience?
- Defensive?
- Tolerance?
- Stressed?



## How do you Communicate?



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## **Expert - Extrovert**



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#### Introvert - Quiet

#### What do you think?

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# Judger – Opinionated





#### Intuitive - Sweet

#### You should buy from me because I'm so nice...

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# Understanding Yourself





# Rules to Sell By



#### RULE #1

Determine the needs of your patient and filling those needs.

Ask questions.

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# Rules to Sell By RULE #2

Be knowledgeable about your products and pass this knowledge to your patient.





# Rules to Sell By

#### RULE #3

# Recommend the best product first.

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## Rules to Sell By

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#### RULE #4

# Tell the patient what is in it for them.

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## Absolute Musts

# Knowledgeable 001/ST

Quality in products and services

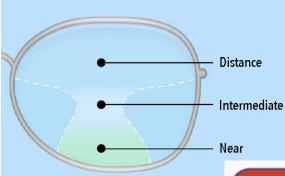
Make the patient feel good

Value for their investment – Not cheap



#### Know Your Products:

## Progressive Lenses







#### Know Your Products: Impact Resistant Lenses



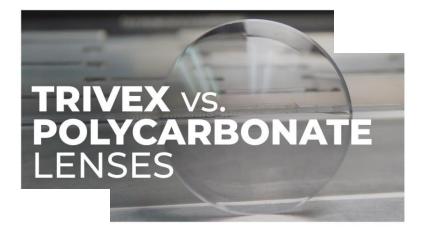
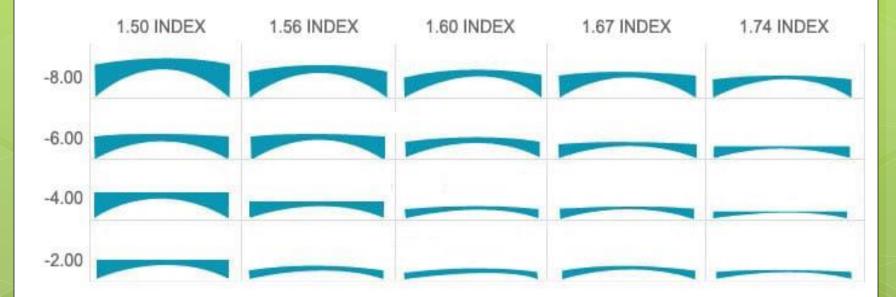


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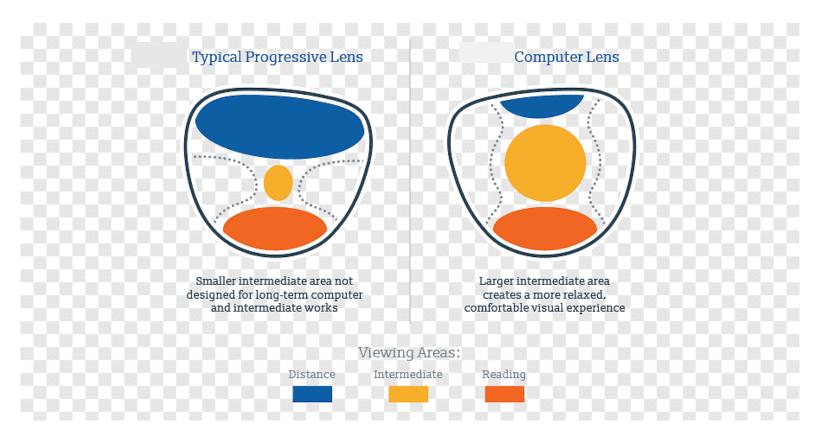
### Know Your Products: High Index Lenses

Lens Thickness Comparison





#### Know Your Products: Computer Lenses – Near Variable Focus





#### Know Your Products: Scratch Resistant Treatment







#### Know Your Products: Glare Free Treatment





#### Know Your Products Titanium Frames





#### Know Your Products: Designer Frames



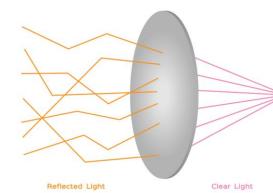




# Know Your Products:

#### Polarized Lenses

POLARIZED LENS





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#### Development Plan

| Staff<br>Member | Start<br>Date | Lens<br>Designs | Lens<br>Materials | Lens<br>Treatments | Frame<br>Materials | Designer<br>Frames | Completed |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Beth            | 5/1           | 8/30            | 9/30              | 10/15              | 11/15              | 1/15               | 3/1/2024  |
| Jeff            | 4/15          | 7/30            | 8/30              | 9/15               | 10/15              | 12/15              | 2/1/2024  |
| Anna            | 1/1           | 3/30            | 5/30              | 6/15               | 7/15               | 9/15               | 12/1/2023 |
| John            | 1/1           | 3/30            | 5/30              | 6/15               | 7/15               | 9/15               | 12/1/2023 |
| Ryan            | 9/15          | 12/15           | 1/15              | 2/15               | 3/15               | 5/15               | 7/15/2023 |
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## First Impressions

#### • First impressions are critical.



 How will you communicate your knowledge and expertise in those first few seconds?

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#### First Impressions



 How you look, what you're wearing, and your body language say more about you initially than anything else.

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#### First Impressions

Introduce yourself

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• Use the patient's name

 Take control of the situation

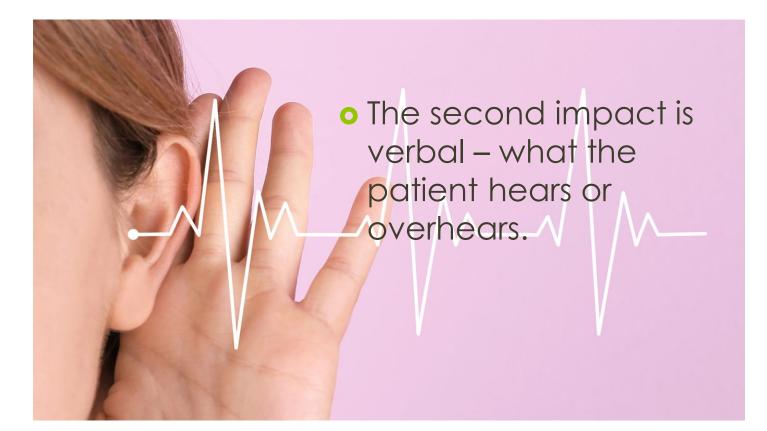
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# Tips

| Great First           | Make Eye          | Actively                    | Pay                      |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Impressions           | Contact           | Listen                      | Attention                |
| Speak<br>Expressively | Read<br>Body Cues | Sit or Stand<br>Up Straight | Relax and<br>Be Yourself |



### Second Impressions





# Approaching The Patient

• The first 10 words you choose will set the tone for the entire interaction. Say something positive and informed. Here are some examples:

• "The doctor said that that you'll need new glasses today. Let's walk you through your choices."

-, • "Has anyone ever explained all your options to you?"

• "Come right this way and swill alscuss everything with you."

• "There are so many new choices for people with your type of vision needs."



# Approaching The Patient



• What NOT to say:

• "Let's see what your insurance will cover."

 "Do you want what you had last time?"



# Approaching The Patient

# • Don't be afraid to address a negative – then offer to help!



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## What do you KNOW about your patient?

Please check all of the visual activities that you participate in:

- Basketball
- Bicycling
- Boating
- Bowling
- □ Card games
- □ Carpentry
- Ceramics
- Coin collecting
- □ Computer
- □ Cooking
- Crochet
- Driving
- □ Fishing
- □ Gardening
- □ Golf

- □ Hiking
- □ Home repair
- Hunting
- □ Knitting
- □ Machinery
- Music
- Opera
- Painting/Drawing
- □ Photography
- Pilot
- Racquetball
- Reading
- Scuba diving
- □ Sewing
- □ Skiing

- Snorkeling
- Stamp Collecting
- Swimming
- □ Surfing
- Target shooting
- □ Team sports
- □ Television
- Tennis
- □ Theatre
- Travel
- □ Typing
- Water skiing
- Writing

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#### What You Recommend and Why

Progressive lenses

FEATURE: Bifocals with no line

Features

Benefits

#### BENEFIT: LOOK better without lines. SEE better with progressive lenses.

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# What You Recommend and Why

#### Impact Resistant lenses are:

#### FEATURE: Thinner, lighter & impact resistant Features

#### Benefits

BENEFITS: LOOK better because the lenses are thinner. More COMFORTABLE because lenses are lighter. SAFER because the lenses are impact resistant.

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#### Question to Target Patient Needs



• Many patient's ask about cost or money because they don't know where else to start.

• Here are some suggestions to identify their visual needs.

# Questions That Target Patient Needs

• What is most important to you in wearing glasses?

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- Cost
- Style
- Durability
- o Vision
- Comfort



- Fit
- Comfort
- o Style
- Price
- Quality



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#### Questions That Target Patient Needs

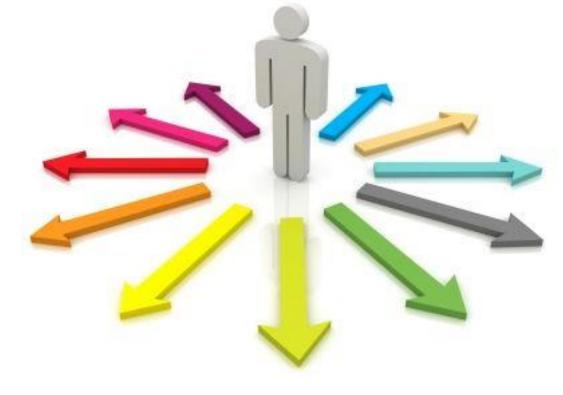
Do you have any problems driving at night?



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### Questions That Target Patient Needs

#### Has anyone explained your lens options to you?



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#### Questions That Lead to Second Pair Sales



• Tell me about your workday...

- Do you sit at a desk?
- Meet with colleagues?
- Travel?
- Work on a computer?
- Work outdoors?

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#### Questions that lead to Second Pair Sales What do you do for fun?



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# Activities that benefit from glasses

- Hiking
- Boating
- Reading
- Cycling
- o Golf
- Scuba diving
- Needlework
- Home repairs



- Driving
- Target shooting
- Photography
- Artists
- Fishing
- Gaming
- Cooking







### Common Objections

"I only want what my insurance will cover!"

• "I'm happy to discuss your insurance coverage...but let's also consider the doctors recommendations..."





# **Common Objections**

"Can I use my own frame?"



• "We can certainly look at it. Remember frame materials fatigue over time and may not withstand the lab processes. But let's take a look..."

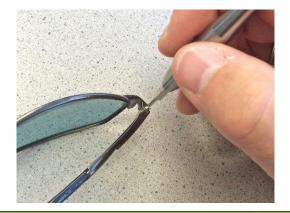


### Common Objections You're going to charge me for that?!!!











# Do's

- Observe and ask questions.
- Educate the patient.
- Discuss lens options first.
- Encourage people to consider the very best options.
- Suggest additional pairs for lifestyle needs.
   DO'S
   Express an honest opinion when asked.
- Demonstrate value with each option.



# Don'ts

#### • Judge the amount of money the patient will spend.

- Insist on showing higher priced products.
  Encourage patient to try on every frame.
- Pressure a patient into buying anything.
- Tell a patient they look great if they don't.



# Closing the Sale

 If you've don't your job properly, you should never feel the need to close the sale.



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# Conclusion

Education and information is your goal.
Pass your knowledge onto them.