# What is Prokera?

**Prokera** is made from amniotic membrane which has **natural anti-inflammatory** and **anti-scarring** properties. It is the **only** FDA-cleared therapeutic device used by eye care practitioners to provide quick<sup>1</sup> symptom relief and reduce inflammation associated with ocular surface disease. It helps restore your cornea and return your eye to a normal, healthy state.

# What is Amniotic Membrane Tissue?

Amniotic membrane is part of the placenta that surrounds and protects the baby during pregnancy. This unique tissue has been shown to have natural healing properties in the womb. Due to these properties, the tissue can help reduce inflammation, prevent scarring, and help heal your eye.

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The Most

to Heal

of 3-5 Days<sup>1</sup>

**Natural Way** 

Sustained Sign and Symptom

**Relief with One Treatment** 

# **Prokera Treatment Benefits**

Prokera goes beyond symptom management to modulate inflammation and prevent scarring on the surface of your eye. Treating the ocular surface can be challenging. Traditional options typically address inflammation or management of healing, but not both, and may have side effects.

#### Prokera is designed to:

Reduce inflammation

Provide fast-acting relief with long-lasting reduction of symptoms

Facilitate healing of ocular surface

## Is Prokera safe?

The amniotic membrane in Prokera is provided by an FDA regulated tissue bank. The tissue has passed numerous safety and quality control tests before it is provided to your doctor. Ask your doctor if you have questions about using Prokera to treat your eyes.

## Symptoms of Ocular Surface Disease

Prokera may be suitable for symptoms of Ocular Surface Disease, such as:

blurry vision	
pain	
infection	
itching	<u> </u>
burning	
redness	•
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# Where does amniotic membrane come from?

The tissue is donated by consenting healthy mothers after scheduled cesarean section (C-Section) births within the United States. Donor suitability is stringent and is determined through social, physical and medical screening.

# What should you expect?

Prokera is similar to a large contact lens. You may experience awareness of the ring but it is not painful. For optimal healing, it is important that you complete the Prokera treatment period of 3-5 days. Your eye doctor may use tape to partially close your eyelid after Prokera is inserted.

### Special Instructions for Prokera:

- Avoid rubbing your eyes, strong blinking, or moving Prokera with your fingers
- Do not remove Prokera without consulting your eye doctor first
- Do not swim or soak your face with water
- Shower only when the eye is tightly closed
- Do not drive or operate heavy machinery or perform functions that require unobstructed vision or good depth perception
- Use eye drops and other medications as prescribed by your eye doctor
- Contact your eye doctor right away if you are uncomfortable or have any other problems with Prokera, such as swelling, redness or discharge



"For many years, I suffered in pain from my dry eyes which eventually led to a corneal ulcer. My eyes were constantly itchy and red and my vision fluctuated. The treatment with Prokera was quick and simple, and felt similar to a contact lens being inserted. My vision has improved, which is crucial to me as an artist. Prokera has truly changed my quality of life and brought me back to feeling normal again."

- Prokera Patient