

Davis Vision Honored as 2007 Varilux Lab of the Year ***Outstanding Performance in Crizal AR Coatings Also Lauded***

Essilor of America named Davis Vision its 2007 Varilux Lab of the Year and also honored Davis Vision with an award for 2007 Outstanding Performance in Crizal AR Coatings. Essilor, the world's largest ophthalmic supplier, manufactures progressive lens blanks and anti-reflective lens coatings under the Varilux and Crizal brand names, respectively. Essilor honored Davis Vision with the Crizal award in 2006, as well.

Davis Vision was recognized for its superior performance at Essilor's National Sales Meeting on Jan. 5 at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City. Michael O'Connor, Davis Vision senior vice president of manufacturing, along with Shirley Wanamaker, optical buyer, and Jobany Garces, assistant vice president of manufacturing, accepted the two awards on behalf of Davis Vision.



Bob Colucci, Essilor of America's president, Independent Distribution Division (far right), along with Varilux representatives Steve Mills (far left) and Jim Blasco (second from left), presents an award to Davis Vision employees Jobany (Gio) Garces, AVP operations managed care labs; Shirley Wanamaker, optical buyer; and Michael O'Connor, senior vice president, manufacturing.

"Last year we utilized close to half a million Varilux lenses and over a quarter million lenses with Crizal or Alize anti-reflective coatings," said O'Connor. "That equates to nearly 40,000 Varilux and upwards of 25,000 Crizal / Alize lenses, on average, each month."

Davis Vision's proprietary, world-class ophthalmic laboratories are industry leaders with a reputation for excellence. The company's fabrication system received full certification from the COLTS Laboratories' "Quality First" program, a leading independent ophthalmic testing organization. The COLTS Laboratories programs provide a semi-annual "Mystery Shopping" Certification program for validating prescription accuracy. This program has resulted in "Gold" level certification for Davis Vision over the past four years.

All of Davis Vision's laboratories have ISO 9001:2000 certification, the international reference for quality management requirements. ISO certification is effective for three years, with interim audits for continued compliance occurring every six months.