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This first CD-ROM in the Contact Lens Series covers introductory and pre-fitting aspects. The modules included are the following topics:

1. Introduction - terminology, lens types and designs.
2. Pre-fitting Examination - covers the pre-fitting examination.
3. Keratometry - Use, calibration, extending range of keratometer.
4. Topography - general concepts/use, different maps, instruments.
5. Biomicroscopy - use, adjustment, illuminations, filters and viewing common structures as well as use of specific instruments.
6. Lens Selection - when to use different lens types/designs such as spherical hydrogel and RGP lenses, toric hydrogel lenses and toric RGP lenses.
7. Placement and Removal - Techniques used by the practitioner and technician to place, re-center, and remove RGP, hydrogel and haptic lenses.
8. How to use this CD-ROM.

Additional CD-ROMs in this series are expected to be available in the future.