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WHAT TO EXPECT ON YOUR FIRST VISIT

If you have not already completed, signed, and mailed us the following forms, please bring them to your first appointment:

- Patient Information Form
- Patient Medical History Form
- Medication List
- Consent for purposes of Treatment, Payment, and Healthcare Options Form
- Patient Acknowledgement of Receipt of Hippa Notice Form
- Payment Policy Form

Check In: Your forms will be collected at our reception desk and placed inside your chart. We will make a photocopy of your insurance cards. Please be prepared to pay **\$105.00** for special testing that Dr. Harris will be performing that is **NOT** covered by insurance but is necessary in order to properly evaluate your surgical needs.

Waiting Time: Our goal is for our office to run on time however, high demand and daily medical emergencies can result in delays. Generally a comprehensive eye exam with dilation requires approximately one to one and a half hours. If you have any time restrictions you might want to reschedule your appointment.

Initial Evaluation by Ophthalmic Technician: You will be taken to an assessment area where your vision will be evaluated. Once in the exam room, the ophthalmic technician will review your medical history and check your eye pressure. Other tests may be performed based on your primary complaint and past medical history. The technician will use eye drops to dilate your pupils. Dilation is necessary to completely examine your eyes, especially the retina. Then you will be moved to our dilation waiting area while the drops take effect.

Ophthalmologist's Exam: When your pupils are fully dilated, your eyes will be thoroughly examined by the doctor. Depending on the nature of your problem, we may perform additional tests on the day of your initial examination and, in some cases, treatment may be initiated.

Because you will have temporarily blurred vision in bright light after dilation, you may prefer someone drive for you after the examination. Your pupils and vision will return to normal over the next 24 hours.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions about the results of your examination or the treatment recommended by the physician. Your diagnosis and all possible treatment will be completely explained to you.

Check Out: Our receptionist will advise you of payment. We file all major insurance claims including Medicare and Medicaid, and accept cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, and other credit plans that we can offer you. You will be asked to provide payment for co-pays, deductibles and uninsured services. Please review our Payment Policy for further details.

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"REJUVENATE YOUR VISION"