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**DILATION CONSENT FORM**

Dilation examination of the retina is an important part of ocular health testing. Drops are used to widen the pupil and get a more complete view of the peripheral retina. It is then possible to evaluate for the presence of retinal holes, tears, detachments, tumors, and circulatory changes in the retina. These conditions can occur without symptoms and cause visual loss without early detection and intervention.

It is important for patients who are diabetic, hypertensive, or have heart or thyroid conditions have dilated retina exams regularly. Highly myopic patients and people who are not obtaining 20/20 vision, or have cataracts should have their eyes dilated as well. Patients with any family history of retinal disease or detachments or who are seeing floating spots or flashing lights should have their pupils dilated also. **PATIENTS WITH NEW SYMPTOMS OF FLOATING SPOTS &/OR FLASHING LIGHTS SHOULD NOT WAIT TO COME IN AND HAVE THEIR PUPILS DILATED.**

The test does not hurt, but the vision may be blurry for four or five hours following the exam. If you have far to travel, it is recommended that you have someone accompany you.

- \_\_\_\_\_ I accept dilation
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to reschedule dilation
- \_\_\_\_\_ I choose not to have my pupils dilated and release Drs. Douglas and Victoria Weiss or any other examining doctor in this office from any liability as a result of not having this test performed.

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Signature

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Date

**THE REFRACTION CHARGE**

Refraction is the procedure in which we determine the best corrected visual acuity of each eye for purposes of medical evaluation or for prescribing spectacles, contact lenses, or corrective surgery. For most insurances, including Medicare, there is no provision for coverage of this procedure, and there is no indication that it will likely become a covered services any time in the near future.

Refraction is necessary to adequately determine visual function and is important in making sure that serious underlying eye problems do not exist. We perform refractions as a part of all our comprehensive eye evaluations

We trust you will understand the need to perform this procedure and we respectfully ask for payment at the time of service.

The fee for refraction is \$21.00