Digital Retinal Imaging Screening

We are pleased to announce that we have incorporated into our practice a highly sophisticated, computerized instrument that allows us to provide a more thorough analysis of your eyes. This procedure assists the doctor in the early detection of many disorders, including glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration, retinal detachments and other vision threatening conditions. This allows the doctor to observe even the smallest change from the previous exam.

We strongly recommend this procedure as part of your eye exam if:

- 1. You are a new patient to this office or have never had retinal photos of your eyes.
- 2. You have or have a family history of high cholesterol, elevated blood pressure or any circulatory disorder.
- 3. You have or there is a family history of diabetes or elevated blood sugar.
- 4. You have headaches or visual disturbances suggestive of a neurological problem.
- 5. You have or there is a family history of elevated eye pressure or glaucoma.
- 6. You have any retinal disorder such as detachment, floaters, flashing lights, bleeding or macular degeneration.
- 7. You are any age but highly recommended for age 65 or older.

Screening retinal photography is an important part of your eye exam if you fall into any of the above categories. The charge for this procedure is <u>\$45</u> and is not covered by insurance at this time, unless otherwise indicated on your ABN. If pathology or an "at risk" condition is documented with the screening photos, additional in depth photos may be recommended, and may be covered by your insurance.

If the doctor determines a medical photo is recommended, your insurance will be billed at a higher rate to account for the interpretation and report that is required. This amount could be covered by your insurance depending on your plan coverage and deductible.

Yes, I want the digital retinal imaging.

No, I do not want this procedure.

I have other questions before I make this decision.

Signature

Date

(for doctor use only)

Patient declined dilated exam. Patient educated about the benefits of a dilated retinal exam to rule out retinal pathology.

Signature

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