

## PRK/LASEK DAY OF PROCEDURE INSTRUCTIONS

- ◆ Start immediately upon scheduling your surgery: \*\*\*Vitamin C 500mg twice a day
- ◆ Begin Medrol Dose Pack/Methylprednisolone morning of surgery (2 tablets before breakfast.)
- ♦ Shower or bathe the evening prior to surgery or the morning of your surgery.
- ♦ Wear loose, casual clothing. The laser room is chilly so you may want to wear something warm or bring a sweater, sweatshirt or jacket that **does not go over your head.**
- ♦ No food restrictions. Discontinue consumption of alcoholic beverages evening prior to surgery continuing until one week post-operatively.
- ◆ Put one drop of Ketorolac/Acular LS and one drop of Zymaxid/Gatafloxacin in operative eye(s) at home prior to departure for surgery. DO NOT TAKE FML/FLOUROMETHALONE.
  - \*\*\*\* All medicated drops are to be taken 5 minutes apart. \*\*\*\*

    Bring Valium and all medications to the office do not take Valium prior to arrival.
- ◆ Arrange for a driver to bring you to and from the laser appointment. You will be here for approximately an hour and a half to two hours. There is a viewing room available for family members to view the procedure. Cameras are permitted- NO CELL PHONES!

- ★ \*\*\* The lasers are extremely sensitive to odors of all kinds. The following guidelines must be followed by all occupants of the laser suit:
  - **NO** hairspray, including scented mousse or gel, perfumes, cologne, scented body lotions and **deodorants**, pre-shave or after shave products
  - NO scent of smoke/food odors
- ◆ In addition, laser vision correction patients must abide by the following guidelines:
  - **NO** eye make-up on either eye (due to the high microbial content of mascara, etc., It is important that the eye area be completely free of all cosmetics)
  - NO facial make-up including blush, scented facial creams, and moisturizers
  - **NO** earrings, facial jewelry, or necklaces