

IOL PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

The introduction of <u>Dropless Cataract Surgery</u> is an important advancement in ophthalmology, and we are thrilled to bring this best-in-class treatment option to our patients. Often, you will have no need to fill any prescription eye drops before or after your surgery.

In certain circumstances, it is not safe to inject medication into the eye after cataract surgery, and this will not be evident until the time of surgery. In this circumstance, your surgeon will inform you of this and you will be given a prescription for eyedrops. In other circumstances, if you have significant swelling or inflammation, you may still need to use drops.

NO SMOKING 48 HOURS BEFORE SURGERY TO AVOID COUGHING DURING SURGERY.

Your cooperation is helpful in this matter.

The night before surgery

- 1. Wash your face before you go to sleep
- 2. Do not eat or drink anything after midnight (Unless otherwise instructed)

The morning of surgery

- If you take Lasix or Hydrochlorothyazide do not take them the day of surgery. You should resume taking this medication once the surgery has been completed
- Take all of your other routine medications (Except Lasix or Hydrochlorothyazide) with small sips of water.
- Wash your face thoroughly before coming to the surgery center.
- Wear freshly laundered clothing. Please dress comfortably.
- Do not apply makeup.
- Nothing to eat or drink within 6-8 hrs of your check-in time. (Unless otherwise instructed)

If you have any questions, please call our office at (805) 987-5300

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