



SMITH VISION CARE
LLC

INFORMED CONSENT

Patient's Name _____

Retinal Examination

The doctor recommends a thorough retinal evaluation with a high definition retinal photography and dilation for everyone, especially if you have any of the following conditions:

- Diabetes, High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol
- Frequent or severe headaches, light sensitivity
- High nearsightedness
- Flashes, Floaters, or Loss of side vision
- Personal or family history of eye disease
- Over the age of 40 or first-time patient

DILATION (Dilated Retinal Exam):

Dilating the pupil allows the Doctor to better view the inside of the eye to screen for potentially vision threatening conditions. Without dilating the eyes, the doctor has a limited view of the interior of the eye and would not be able to view the peripheral portions of the retina to detect tears, holes, hemorrhages, or abnormalities in the back of the eye. In order to dilate the eyes, the doctor or technician will put eye drops into the eyes, which will take effect after 10-15 minutes.

Common side effects include light sensitivity for 4-6 hours and blurred vision especially at near distances. We recommend that you have a driver present for dilation, although in most cases you can drive yourself. It is possible to reschedule the dilation (within 30 days) if today is not convenient. Side effects from the drops are rare, but if you experience eye pain, headache, or nausea, please contact our office immediately. There is no additional fee for dilation.

RETINAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND iWELLNESS RETINAL SCAN

A retinal camera takes a quick and painless digital image of our retina, the tissue responsible for allowing you to see. This technology assists in determining the health of your eyes and can help identify diseases like diabetes, glaucoma, macular degeneration, and many more conditions that may affect the health of your eyes.

The iWellness scan shows the doctor a microscopic view of the retina. Retinal photography and iWellness scan are NOT a substitute for dilation, but together, can provide an objective assessment of your overall eye health. The doctor will also use the retinal scans as a digital medical record for your retina, and can compare the scans from one year to the next to check for slight changes that could indicate the beginning or progression of any eye diseases. This is a preventative screening test recommended to all adult patients, and is available for \$49. We are also happy to email you copies of your retinal photos at your request.

I do want my eyes dilated

I do NOT want my eyes dilated

I have been informed by Dr. Smith and the staff at Smith Vision Care of the need for a dilated fundus examination of my eyes. It has been explained to me and I understand that a condition with potential loss of vision may exist and without dilation, it may go undetected. Being advised of the above, I hereby decide the checked services offered above. By checking the left column, I understand the information and risks, and agree for any fees associated with these procedures.

Patient/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____