



Retina Expert

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Visit Information

We want you to feel comfortable at your appointment with Retina Expert. Here are some important things to know in preparation for your first visit:

1. To expedite the paperwork process of your first visit, please print the PATIENT FORM and fill it out prior to your appointment. If you don't have this form, it may be downloaded from our website, www.myretinaexpert.com.

2. A complete eye exam performed at our office may be different than the eye exam you are used to receiving for glasses or contacts. Please plan to be in our office for approximately **TWO HOURS** which will allow time for dilation, diagnostic testing and the exam performed by the physician. All appointments begin with a technician who will perform an initial examination. There will be a period of time necessary for this evaluation and subsequent dilation of your eyes prior to examination by the physician.

If treatment is recommended for your condition please allow for some extra time in our office to perform the procedure. In some cases, the treatment may involve retinal surgery and you will be scheduled time at an area hospital for the surgery.

3. Bring a list of all medications you are currently taking.

4. Have your current medical insurance card(s) available. Also bring a picture ID such as a drivers license. If your insurance requires co-payments, we are pleased to offer you the convenience of paying your account balance by cash, check, or credit card.

5. Patients who are members of certain managed care plans, especially HMO's, may need to secure a referral and/or authorization from their primary care physician (PCP). This item is separate from your insurance card. Failure to have the required referral/authorization may delay your visit with us and, in some cases, result in having to reschedule your appointment.

6. Dilation opens your pupils to allow the doctor a better view inside your eye. It is important to know that your vision will be blurred and you will be sensitive to light for several hours after dilation of your pupils. Therefore, we recommend that you **bring sunglasses** and have **someone drive you home** from your appointment.

If you have any questions regarding our participation with your medical insurance carrier, please contact us or talk with your insurance company directly. Again, please bring all requested items with you to your appointment. Please call if you have any questions. We are here to help!

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