**OPTOMAP AND DILATION FORM**

Blink Vision Center strives to offer the best possible standard of care for our patients. This is why we offer state-of-the-art digital scanning technology, the Optomap, that gives us a clear image of the inside of your eye.

**Advantages of the Optomap Exam vs getting your eyes dilated:**

1. NO blurred vision
2. NO light sensitivity
3. Images taken in less than one minute
4. See your own retina in the most comprehensive way
5. Images are saved to your chart as a great baseline for future exams

Dr. Alexander, Dr. Mathew and Dr. O’Hare highly recommend that patients of all ages have a thorough retinal examination every year to detect and diagnose eye diseases. This non-invasive procedure allows a much broader and more detailed view of the retina. ***Diseases such as macular degeneration, glaucoma, retinal detachments, diabetic retinopathy, tumors and other vision threatening conditions can be missed without an examination of the retina.*** There is an additional fee of $20 for the Optomap procedure (covers both eyes) as this service is generally not covered by insurance companies.

Dilating drops are used to dilate or enlarge the pupils of the eye to allow the doctor to get a better view of the inside of your eye.

Dilating drops frequently **blur vision for 4-6 hours** which varies from person to person and may make bright lights bothersome. It is not possible for your doctor to predict how much of your vision will be affected. Because driving may be difficult immediately after an examination, it’s best if you make arrangements not to drive yourself.

Adverse reaction, such as acute angle-closure glaucoma, may be triggered from the dilating drops. This is extremely rare and treatable with immediate medical attention.

I have been informed of the importance of having a comprehensive retinal eye examination annually in the detection and diagnosis of eye disease and vision threatening conditions. I understand that I can have my retinas examined by the Optomap procedure or by having my eyes dilated.

( ) I elect to have the Optomap procedure at an additional fee of $20.

( ) I elect to have dilation.

( ) I would like to discuss further with the doctor before making a decision.

( ) I am declining the Doctor’s recommendation to obtain a comprehensive view of my retinas. By foregoing the Optomap and dilation procedures I do not hold Blink Vision Center, Dr. Lindsey Alexander, Dr. Elina Mathew or Dr. Shannon O’Hare responsible for my retinal and eye health.

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