



Professional Solutions for Cataracts, Glaucoma & Cornea

Preventing Infection/Inflammation After Cataract Surgery

After cataract surgery there is a risk of infection and inflammation. Along with lid hygiene prior to surgery, medications are used to help minimize this risk. Please review the optons below:

Dropless cataract surgery:

If you are a candidate for dropless cataract surgery, medication can be placed in the eye by the surgeon at the time of surgery. Most people will notice a visual obstruction for the first few days, it will quickly begin to break up and slowly dissolve. Any visual symptoms usually clear up after about 1 week. There is still about a 10% chance that you will need to use some type of eye drop after surgery. There is no charge for dropless cataract surgery.

If you have dropless surgery, you should continue using any eyedrops you were taking prior to surgery unless told to stop by your doctor.

If you are NOT a candidate for dropless surgery, you will need to instill eye drops after surgery. This can be done one of two ways:

Pharmacy/Medical Insurance:

We can submit prescriptions to your pharmacy for you to instill the drops yourself. Your doctor will prescribe up to 3 separate eyedrops for you to use for about 1 month after surgery. The cost of the drops will be submitted to your medical insurance. If you have copays for prescription medications these will apply and are determined by your insurance plan.

Combination Drop:

We have a combination drop available for purchase in the office. It is produced by a FDA-regulated compounding pharmacy called Imprimis and combines both the antibiotic and anti-inflammatory components into a single bottle. This can be purchased here for \$48.00 per bottle. One bottle is needed for each eye. **This drop is not covered by insurance.**

Please continue using any drops you were taking prior to surgery along with the post-surgical drops unless told to stop by your doctor.