

### Consent to Payment of Refractive Surgery Fees

The **professional fee** for cataract surgery, which is an insured service, is paid by the Medical Service Plan. I understand that the fee that I am being charged by my physician is a combined **professional fee and facility fee** for refractive surgery, an uninsured service.

Refractive surgery encompasses beneficial alteration of astigmatism done at the time of cataract surgery or as needed postoperatively, as well as postoperative alteration of myopia or hyperopia through laser, intraocular lens surgery or other procedures. Refractive analysis and surgery will also be used where appropriate to improve contrast vision and night vision by reversing an optical condition of aging known as ocular spherical aberration.

The fee for refractive surgery covers the use of the new measurement devices not covered by MSP (optical biometry, corneal topography, corneal tomography, pachymetry and pupillometry). This equipment is necessary for the precise preoperative analysis of the eye required for refractive correction. This fee also covers all other procedures that may be required to reduce spectacle dependency. These procedures may be performed at the time of the cataract surgery or at a later date to refine the optical result.

I have chosen to have my cataract surgery combined with refractive enhancement procedures (Refractive Cataract Surgery), as opposed to having cataract surgery alone and at no cost at the public hospital so that I may be able to obtain greater spectacle independence for distance vision and likely also improved contrast and night vision following the surgery.

I further understand that some physicians have fewer patients on their waitlist and that I could have simple cataract surgery without these refractive improvements within a similar time period elsewhere.

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Print Name