

A Note from Mitchel Ashkanazy, M.D.

Welcome to our Office. We are truly grateful that you have selected this office for your eye care. This ophthalmology and Ophthalmic Surgery practice serves the Kinnelon, Butler, West Milford, Oak Ridge, Newfoundland, Riverdale, Bloomingdale, Pompton Lakes, Pompton Plains, Wayne and surrounding areas of Northern New Jersey.

We have provided and will continue to provide careful, caring, current and competent, comprehensive eye care for the entire family. We pride ourselves as being different from "assembly line" type ophthalmology offices as we really want to understand our patient's eye care needs. When a patient's problem is other than "routine", we will take the time to sort out the problems and find optimum solutions.

To start, a routine annual eye examination requires a Refraction for eye glasses. This part of the examination may be quick, or sometimes it may require an extraordinary amount of time and effort, but we try to give the extra amount of effort to be sure that you have the best possible prescription for eyeglasses. Should you desire contact lenses, we offer a full line of single vision, tinted, multifocal, toric for astigmatism, daily, bi-weekly, and monthly contact lenses.

With regards to medical conditions of the eye, this office is up-to-the-minute with regards to the latest treatments and technologies regarding the treatment of Cataracts and Glaucoma. Continuing Medical Education and attendance at major Ophthalmology Conferences given around the country is a priority in this office. If you have Cataracts, Dr. Jodie Lucia-Ricci, a provider in this office, is a Cataract Specialist who performs routine cataract surgery and also specializes in premium intraocular lenses such as multifocal and toric lenses for astigmatism. Glaucoma is diagnosed and followed with the latest in technology. We have, on premises, a laser device that scans the optic nerve, nerve fiber layer to determine damage from Glaucoma. We use the state of the art Humphrey computerized Visual Field machine to determine and follow vision loss in Glaucoma. If medical treatment does not suffice in lowering intraocular pressure for the treatment of glaucoma, we can treat the high pressures with laser technologies at our outpatient surgical facility, the River Drive Surgical Center in Elmwood Park. As a last resort, if surgery for glaucoma is required, we work with some of the leaders in Glaucoma Surgery in the country.

We screen and follow retinal diseases such as Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Retinopathy. We also work with and refer to world renowned Retinal Specialists, right here in northern New Jersey. We also work with and refer to wonderful orbital and oculoplastic specialists, as well as specialists in strabismus and pediatric ophthalmology.

We are local, provide caring and quality eye care and at the same time, are able to refer you and work closely with some of the best specialist care in the country. We are also members of Eye Centers of America, www.ecoallc.com.

Again, thank you for choosing our office and we look forward to serving and continuing to serve you for all of your eye care.