

PROGRESSIVE FAMILY EYECARE AND OPTIQUE, PC

TO OUR CONTACT LENS PATIENTS:

Our comprehensive eye examinations consist of many tests to determine the health of your eye and a refraction is performed to determine your eye prescription. Contact lens evaluations include additional special testing that is not performed during comprehensive eye exams.

The purpose of the additional testing is to determine whether or not you are a good candidate to be fitted or refitted for contacts. Just as one shoe size does not fit all the same goes with contacts. The goal of the contact lens evaluation is to determine the best fitting, most comfortable contact lens for your eyes.

A sophisticated instrument called a keratometer is used to measure the curvature of your eye. The keratometer analyses how light is refracted (curved) from your cornea. These measurements help the doctors determine which lenses may be best for you. Sometimes an additional test called a corneal topography will be used to further analyze corneal curvatures. Your contact lens evaluation will also include a tear film evaluation that measures tear production and quality to see if you are a good candidate for new lenses or the current lenses are still healthy to wear.

The health of the cornea will also be evaluated using a biomicroscope, this lighted instrument provides a highly magnified view of the cornea, lids, conjunctiva and other tissues related to the wearing of lenses. This will help the doctor assess whether you are a candidate to begin contact lens wear as well as being able to see any changes to your eye related to contact lens wear.

Our contact lens evaluation fee includes the contact lens examination as well as any additional follow-up visits and any trial lenses provided to patients during a three month trial period. The fee for the contact lens evaluation varies depending on the complexity of the fitting and contact lenses to be evaluated. For new wearers, patients also need to be trained by one of our experienced technicians to be able to insert and remove contact lenses before they leave the office. Sometimes additional trainings are needed but not normally. Fee for inserting and removal training is \$30.00.

At your final visit, the doctor has determined if you can wear contact lenses and what the best contact lenses are for you. We price our contacts competitively . If you purchase your year supply of contacts through our office we will have them shipped to your home or office at no charge. We also get the best rebates from manufacturers and pass them on to you, you also receive an additional 30% off sunglasses!

