EAST ATLANTA EYE SURGERY CENTER

550 Professional Dr. Lawrenceville, GA 30046

PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR EYE SURGERY

1. **DIET**

• **NO** solid foods or liquids after 11PM the night before your surgery - this means nothing in the morning. Eating and/or drinking could cause your surgery to be delayed or cancelled.

2. **MEDICATIONS**

- Take your heart, blood pressure, Parkinson's, respiratory, epilepsy and reflux medications, up to and including on the day of surgery, unless specifically instructed not to by your primary care physician. Bring these with you the day of surgery. Take medications with a sip of water only.
- DO NOT TAKE DIURETICS OR WATER PILLS.
- Asthma and COPD patients: Continue medications and inhalers. Bring your albuterol (or rescue medication) inhaler with you.

3. **DIABETIC PATIENTS**

- If you take Metformin, do not take the night before or the morning of surgery.
- Do not take any other diabetic medications, oral or injectable, the night before or the morning of surgery.
- For patients with an insulin pump, manage the pump as you normally do.
- Check your blood glucose the morning of surgery. If your fasting glucose is below 75, you may
 let a hard piece of candy dissolve in your mouth or you may have 4 oz. of a clear juice such as
 apple juice or 4 oz. of a clear carbonated beverage. Check your blood glucose again in 30
 minutes to ensure that it is higher. DO NOT EAT.

4. PERSONAL

- You may shower, shampoo, and brush your teeth.
- Do not wear contact lenses three days before surgery.
- DO NOT USE cosmetics, eye make-up, lotions, or cologne. _____ (Pt to initial)
- Do not wear jewelry, metal hair accessories, or contact lenses. Do not bring valuables.
- If you have dentures, you may keep them in during surgery if they are intact and not loose. If they are loose, you will have to remove them.
- Wear clothes that are loose and comfortable. Do not wear turtlenecks, undershirts or clothing that is high on your neck. It is recommended that you wear a shirt that buttons or zips up the front.

5. **DISCHARGE**

Georgia State law for healthcare facilities requires that you be discharged to a
responsible adult (family member or friend). Arrange for transportation, at least 18 years old,
to STAY at the facility during your procedure & then to drive you home afterwards. You are NOT
allowed to drive yourself home. Taxi, Medical Transport or Public transportation pickup will
not be allowed unless another adult can accompany you for the ride home. It is
recommended that you have someone stay with you for the first 24 hours.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS LIST OF INSTRUCTIONS MAY REQUIRE RE-SCHEDULING YOUR SURGERY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 470-410-8120.

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Patient or Authorized Representative				Witness	
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