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PRIVATE CONTACT LENS & LASIK STUDY:

LASIK vs. LONG-TERM CONTACT LENS WEAR

Study Overview:

- i.** The leading eye surgeons of the Eye & LASIK Center – and local optometrists throughout the Pioneer Valley – are currently conducting a private clinical trial comparing long-term contact lens wear to LASIK. Study parameters include comparative analysis regarding patient satisfaction, costs, risks, side effects and visual acuity associated with both LASIK and contact lenses.
- ii.** Participation in this study will require patients to complete study requirements at the following intervals:
 - LASIK Portion Survey*
 - *Day of surgery*
 - *1-Day LASIK post-op*
 - *10-Day LASIK post-op*
 - *2 Month LASIK post-op*
 - *6 Month LASIK post-op*
 - Contact Lens Portion Study*
 - *Day of Contact lens refit or update*
 - *3 Month Contact lens follow-up or email*
 - *6 Months Contact lens follow-up or email*
- iii.** To qualify for this Private Study you must be above age 25 and have worn contact lenses for at least five years. You must have had no previous eye surgery and have naturally occurring Nearsightedness, Farsightedness and/or Astigmatism. Qualified candidates must have generally healthy corneas and be willing to complete all pre and post-operative office visits.
- iv.** All qualified LASIK candidates in this study will receive up to a \$1000 savings on their procedure. (This savings is based on a bilateral procedure.) Patients choosing to wear contact lenses will receive a pre-determined savings on their contact lens fitting and contact lenses.
- v.** Phase One of Contact Lens & LASIK Study will be limited to the first 200 patients who qualify.
- vi.** The normal 'Informed Consent' process and patient education applies to Study candidates as well, and they will be required to sign standard patient consent forms used for conventional LASIK patients. The list of standard risks, complications and side effects associated with standard LASIK apply to Study candidates as well.