



## INFORMED CONSENT FOR RETINAL SCREENING

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Our doctors at Millican Eye Center are committed to providing the best care possible. Therefore, we are now offering a high resolution digital retinal screening, which allows us to assess and document the health of the retina, the back of your eye, often without the use of dilation drops. This technology is more detailed and accurate than conventional documentation methods and allows us to detect and monitor eye and health conditions such as glaucoma, diabetes, and macular degeneration. Finding retinal diseases such as these are critical in preventing disease progression and vision loss. We recommend this test to be done at your comprehensive eye examination each year since the health of your eyes can change at any time and often without symptoms. **Depending on your specific medical needs, the doctor may recommend both the retinal screening and dilation.**

**Dilation** – In this procedure, the doctor will use eye drops to temporarily enlarge the pupils. While this process allows the doctor to view the entire retina there is no permanent “picture” that is stored with your record for future comparison. There will be an additional 10-15 minutes wait period while the drops take effect. Then the doctor will use a special ocular system with a bright light to view the retina over about a 2 minute period. Dilation will blur your near vision for a short period, and will cause light sensitivity for 4 - 6 hours. Driving vision is usually not impaired but may require extra attention. Disposable sunglasses will be provided for your comfort. Dilation is covered as part of your comprehensive exam by most routine vision insurance plans.

**Digital retinal imaging** – In this procedure a digital image of the retina will be captured through a state-of-the art, high resolution digital fundus imaging system. Much like taking a photograph of the inside of your eye, this technique allows the doctor to view and assess the health of a large portion of the retina without all the negative side effects of a pupil dilation. The process takes only seconds and the image captured becomes a permanent part of your medical record for future reference and monitoring. Digital retinal imaging is not covered by most routine vision insurance plans. The fee for this procedure is \$39.00.

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

I give my informed consent to have my pupils dilated.

I give my informed consent to have digital retinal imaging.

I understand and accept the risks with declining both procedures described above. I do NOT give my consent to have either procedure.

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Legal Guardian Name

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Patient or Legal Guardian Signature