

Patient Name: _____ Date: _____

Cataract Surgery & Refractive Surgery and Fee Agreements

We have recommended cataract surgery to help you improve your vision. **Cataract surgery** is meant to just correct the cataract and we expect that your health care insurance plan or Medicare will pay for it in accordance with your plan rules. With standard cataract surgery alone, you should expect to wear glasses full-time after surgery.

Refractive surgery is designed to minimize the use of glasses by correcting the glasses prescription. Examples include correction for people with nearsightedness, farsightedness, and astigmatism. Refractive surgery is not covered by insurance plans or Medicare; the patient is financially responsible for this cost. Refractive surgery will provide you a large degree of great vision without glasses, but it won't give you the eyes of a teenager. More than 95% of patients choose this to achieve the best vision possible.

At the time of your cataract surgery, if you would like to decrease your dependence on glasses, refractive services and refractive surgery can be performed at the same sitting to optimize your vision. This includes a more detailed pre-operative assessment, proprietary focusing power calculations, addressing astigmatism, use of specialty lens implants, intra-operative laser guided measurements, and other techniques including any required fine-tuning done after surgery with laser. Patients who elect to have refractive services and refractive surgery done at the time of cataract surgery will be responsible for these fees.

Our surgery center was the first in California to offer **femto-second laser** which can be used as an aid for certain cataract surgery steps. It does not replace the cataract surgery, but rather it simply helps with parts of the procedure, particularly in challenging or difficult situations. In a more routine cataract surgery, there may not be a significant benefit to using this laser. For the patients who are electing for the refractive surgery at the same time as the cataract surgery, if Dr. Devgan deems it beneficial to use this femto-second laser, then it will be done for you at no additional cost. This also applies for other advanced imaging and biometric devices which can provide additional benefits in certain cases.

Depending on your desires and finances, you can have just standard cataract surgery with the understanding that you'll wear glasses full-time after surgery. Or you can have refractive services at the same sitting as cataract surgery to maximize your vision so that you can decrease the need for glasses for many activities. More than 95% of patients choose to do the refractive services to deliver the best vision possible.

Please choose which option you would like for your surgery:

- I want customized **refractive surgery performed in conjunction with my cataract surgery** in order to provide a large degree of great vision without glasses. I may still need glasses for some activities. There is an additional fee of **\$3150** per eye for this. Use of the femto-second laser, advanced imaging, and biometric devices intended to improve accuracy are all included if needed for your specific case.
- I want just the **standard cataract surgery** and I should expect to wear prescription glasses full-time after surgery. My glasses prescription may change from what it is today. There is no additional cost for non-covered services at this level of care.



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Note that no matter which option you choose, you are responsible for the usual and customary co-payments and deductibles associated with covered services (i.e. cataract surgery) in accordance with the rules of your insurance carrier.

For all patients, we use high-quality, brand-name lens implants at the time of surgery. The single-focus lens implant is either \$450 to \$600 (higher degrees of astigmatism) or included at no additional charge (lower degrees of astigmatism). The extended depth of focus lens (such as Alcon Vivity) and the multi/tri-focal lens (such as PanOptix or Synergy) are each \$950. The cost of these lenses is paid by the patient directly to the surgery center on the morning of surgery, typically with a credit card. Note that Specialty Surgical Center does have contracts with several private insurance carriers that may pay a portion of the extra cost for these premium lens implants. Coverage varies depending upon your specific insurance plan. Costs may be more than quoted above for certain private insurance plans. For any questions about costs for lens implants, please direct these to the billing department at Specialty Surgery Center.

Beneficiary Agreement

Signature of patient or person acting on patient's behalf

Date

Witness Signature

Date

Cataract Surgery Options

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| <p>What will my vision be like after surgery? & What is included?</p> | <p>standard cataract surgery</p> <p>will need full-time prescription glasses for ALL ranges of vision, near to far</p> <p>3 months post-op care</p> <p>will NOT fix astigmatism</p> <p>not included</p> <p>not included</p> <p>not included</p> | <p>cataract surgery with correction of prescription and single-focus lens</p> <p>excellent far vision without glasses (OR near vision)</p> <p>1 year post-op care & eye drops</p> <p>corrects astigmatism</p> <p>most advanced equipment including laser, robotic, and biometric devices, if needed</p> <p>any additional laser treatment to enhance the focusing</p> <p>direct access to Dr Devgan via cell phone and email 24 hrs/day</p> | <p>cataract surgery with correction of prescription and extended depth of focus lens</p> <p>very good far and intermediate vision without glasses</p> <p>1 year post-op care & eye drops</p> <p>corrects astigmatism</p> <p>most advanced equipment including laser, robotic, and biometric devices, if needed</p> <p>any additional laser treatment to enhance the focusing</p> <p>direct access to Dr Devgan via cell phone and email 24 hrs/day</p> | <p>cataract surgery with correction of prescription and multi-focal / tri-focal lens</p> <p>good far, intermediate, and near vision without glasses</p> <p>1 year post-op care & eye drops</p> <p>corrects astigmatism</p> <p>most advanced equipment including laser, robotic, and biometric devices, if needed</p> <p>any additional laser treatment to enhance the focusing</p> <p>direct access to Dr Devgan via cell phone and email 24 hrs/day</p> |
| <p>Fee per eye</p> | <p>billed to medical insurance</p> <p>no additional surgeon fee</p> <p>no additional fee for lens</p> | <p>billed to medical insurance</p> <p>\$3150 additional fee not covered by insurance</p> <p>\$450-\$600 additional fee for lens paid to surgery center (\$0 if lower astigmatism)</p> | <p>billed to medical insurance</p> <p>\$3150 additional fee not covered by insurance</p> <p>\$950 additional fee for lens paid to surgery center</p> | <p>billed to medical insurance</p> <p>\$3150 additional fee not covered by insurance</p> <p>\$950 additional fee for lens paid to surgery center</p> |
| <p>patient's choice</p> | <p>signature</p> | <p>signature</p> | <p>signature</p> | <p>signature</p> |

Medically necessary services are covered by your insurance plan, minus any co-pays or deductibles, for which you will be billed separately. Your insurance company will decide what is medically necessary and what they will cover. This guide shows the expected benefits; individual results cannot be guaranteed.

Cataract / Lens Surgery (listed as cost for one eye)

Costs paid to Surgery Center

These two fees are not billed by Dr. Devgan. Rather they are directly billed by Specialty Surgical Center, 9001 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 100, Beverly Hills, CA 90211, phone 310-275-2339

- Surgery Center Facility Fee insurance applied
- Anesthesiologist's Fee insurance applied

Surgeon Fees paid to Surgeon

- Cataract Surgery Surgeon Fee insurance applied
- Refractive Services & Surgery
to decrease glasses dependence \$3150

includes use of femto-second laser, advanced imaging, intra-op biometry if needed

Cost of Lens Implant paid to Surgery Center on morning of surgery

- Choice of one of the following:
 - Single-focus Lens \$450 - \$600 or \$0 (low astigmatism)
 - Extended depth of focus lens (Vivity) \$950
 - Multi/Tri-focal Lens (PanOptix, Synergy) \$950

TOTAL _____

Note that you are still responsible for the rules of your insurance plan including payment of co-pays, deductibles, and determining coverage.