

SURGERY INSTRUCTIONS

<u>Please read these instructions carefully before surgery and again after surgery.</u>
If you have any questions, please contact Brisbane Eye Clinic on 07 3832 1700

1. SURGERY FEES

a) PRIVATELY INSURED

i. If you are privately insured, <u>it is your responsibility</u> to check with your health fund regarding the level and type of cover you hold. Brisbane Eye Clinic will provide you with a cost estimate for your surgeon fee based on the information you provide to us and on our provisional item numbers. We highly recommend you confirm your level of cover **both** with your <u>health fund</u> and with the <u>hospital facility</u>.

b) UNINSURED

- i. An invoice will be provided to you when you make your surgery booking. Full payment is required two weeks prior to your surgery.
- ii. If you are planning to make a bank deposit into our account please ensure you enter your invoice number or surname as a reference.
- iii. If you are an overseas visitor, or self-insured and you do not hold a current Australian Medicare card, or do not have Medicare reciprocal eligibility, an invoice will be provided to you for fees. Full payment is required prior to confirmation of a surgery date.
- iv. Please note that failure to make payment may result in surgery being cancelled without further notification.

c) ANAESTHETIST

i. Professional Fees for your Anaesthetist are not collected by Brisbane Eye Clinic unless you are covered by an Uninsured Package for Surgery. You will therefore need to contact the anaesthetist scheduled for your surgery regarding estimates for these fees based on the provisional item numbers that we provide. You will find details of the Anaesthetist in your surgery information pack.

2. ADMISSION PAPERWORK

- a) Hospital Admission forms Need to be completed and returned to the hospital at least 10 days prior to surgery. This can be done by fax, email, post or in person.
- b) General Practitioner/Primary Care Provider form You must take this to your doctor to fill in at least 2 weeks prior to surgery and return to Brisbane Eye Clinic without delay. This can be done by fax, email, post or in person. This form communicates vital current medical information for the day of surgery.

3. PRESCRIPTIONS

- a) Prescriptions If your doctor has given you prescriptions for eye drops and/or other medication for your surgery, please take these to the chemist prior to surgery to have them filled and keep them in the refrigerator.
- b) Read the pre-operative instructions carefully for information on when to start taking eye drops.