

# WELCOME TO EYE CENTER OF TEXAS

For your convenience parking at all our locations is free. Food and drinks are not allowed in the office. Some of our patients are very ill; therefore we ask that you **do not bring children** to your appointment. Your appointment may last one two – three hours.

**To avoid a delay in your appointment time** please fill out the enclosed forms and bring them with you to your appointment.

Since you are responsible for payment for our physician's services and any testing done during your visit, please call Eye Center of Texas at 713-797-1010 (ask for the insurance department) with your **insurance information**. Our insurance person **must** have your social security number, date of birth, the name of the insured person; if insurance is through your spouse's employment, that person's date of birth and social security number. With this information we can verify your insurance prior to your appointment day. If you gave insurance information to Eye Center of Texas when you made your appointment you don't need to call.

**If your insurance carrier is an HMO**, you must contact your Primary Care Physician (PCP) who is listed on your insurance card and ask for an **insurance authorization**. If you are not sure about your benefits, call your insurance company (phone number on your insurance card) to find out. We regret that if we do not have your insurance referral from your PCP on your appointment day, we must reschedule your appointment. According to the law (HIPAA) and our office policy, we cannot call your PCP for you.

Very important, if you are a cataract patient, and also wear contact lenses; for hard contacts, you must not wear your contacts for 3 weeks prior to your appointment. If you wear soft contact lenses, you must not wear them for 3 days prior to you appointment, however if you wear soft contact lenses and sleep in them, you must be out of them 3 weeks prior to your appointment. If you do wear your contact lenses anyway, your testing will not be completed due to your corneal shaping because the technicians will not be able to get the correct readings from the equipment.

Please visit our website at **[www.eyecenteroftexas.com](http://www.eyecenteroftexas.com)** for information about our doctors, clinics, maps, and other helpful information. Thank you for allowing us to provide your specialized eye care.

## THE DOCTORS OF EYE CENTER OF TEXAS