Dear Patient:

On behalf of The Emory Clinic, we are delighted that you will be coming to the Vision Rehabilitation Service at Emory Eye Center. We would like to give you some information so you will know what to expect.

Our Location: 1365-B Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30322
Building B, 1st Floor, Suite B1100

About Your Visit: This low vision evaluation will be different than other eye exams you might have had in that this evaluation will be specific to helping improve your vision for many activities, promoting independence and enhancing your quality of life.

1. You will first see our low vision doctor who will evaluate your need for eye glasses through a special trial frame refraction. You will then be assessed for optical and non-optical assistive devices.
2. Based on the evaluation, we may recommend that you see an occupational therapist (OT) to further assist your needs through specialized training specific to your vision loss. We may have OT available on the day of your visit.
3. Including OT, the entire visit could take approximately 2 hours.

Preparing for Your Visit:

1. Please complete the enclosed Health Questionnaire and Activity Inventory. You might ask a family member to help. Bring this with you on the day of your exam.
2. Bring any glasses and special devices like magnifiers that help you to see better,
3. Please also bring a list of medications that you may be taking.

Visit Coverage: Your health insurance policy may cover the evaluation and occupational therapy, if needed. Note that there may be a co-pay or uncovered portion. You may choose not to see the occupational therapist. We recommend that you check with your insurance company for confirmation of benefit coverage.

Most insurance policies do not cover the cost of low vision devices nor the special refraction ($40) as part of the extensive examination. In these cases, we ask for patient payment at the time of service.

Please call us if there are any questions. We look forward to meeting you in the near future.

Thank you for choosing the Emory Eye Center for your care.

Sincerely,

Susan Primo, OD, MPH
Kenneth Rosengren, OD
Thao M. Vu, OD

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Occupational Therapy in the Emory Low Vision Clinic

Patients seen in the Low Vision Clinic by any one of our doctors may be referred to Occupational Therapy for additional services. Occupational Therapists (OT) work in a wide variety of settings and with many different disabilities to enable people of all ages to live life to the fullest, promote health and prevent or live better with illness, injury, or disability.

Occupational Therapists in the Low Vision Clinic focus on providing training with various activities, techniques and equipment that enable people to improve their quality of life as they deal with problems associated with low vision. More specifically, Occupational Therapists address issues such as: reading, writing, basic self-care, home management, and community activities such as shopping and driving.

Occupational Therapy is a service provided by Emory University Hospital and is billed separately from the Emory Low Vision Clinic. If you participate in Occupational Therapy services, you will receive a separate bill for these services. Medicare usually covers occupational therapy services at 80%. Other forms of insurance should be investigated in advance for coverage of Occupational Therapy services.