

LOW VISION DEVICES EVALUATION

Is not part of a routine or medical eye examination. It is recommended when a patient can no longer attain visual goals with regular glasses. It is not a disease assessment, where the cause or treatment of the condition is evaluated, but a functional assessment. It will not bring vision back. It attempts to make the most of what vision is left. This means that Dr. Mann will attempt to identify visual goals and to assess the patient's level of vision, and allow the patient to try various magnifiers, telescopes and electronic devices. The patient will be asked to identify devices which help him/her achieve his/her goal. Regular glasses rarely will make a difference. Often a patient who has lost vision must work through: 1. denial; 2. anger; 3. bargaining, 4. depression; and 5. acceptance; before he/she is willing to accept help. Willingness to adapt and learn to use a new device, pay for it, and cope with its limitations is a requirement for success. Dr. Mann will often recommend techniques such as eccentric viewing, which the patient will need to learn to use to maximise vision.

ADVANCE BENEFICIARY NOTICE

Low vision device evaluations have no CPT code and are not covered by insurance. I request this evaluation and agree to pay \$275.00 for the doctor's time.

Signature _____ Date _____