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QUESTIONS ON UNDERSTANDING YOUR PROCEDURE: PRK

The following questions cover important information contained in the video presentation. Please circle the answer you feel most correct. If you need more time to answer a question than the video presentation provides, skip that question and return to it when the program is over. Once you have completed the questions, compare your answers to those found at the bottom of the page.

1. TRUE or FALSE: PRK will permanently change the shape of your cornea.
2. TRUE or FALSE: Your surgeon cannot guarantee your result or how well you will see after surgery.
3. TRUE or FALSE: You may experience side effects such as haze, glare, halos, light sensitivity, and dryness of the eyes that may not go away completely.
4. TRUE or FALSE: If your eyes measure 20/20 that means you will see everything perfectly clear.
5. TRUE or FALSE: After the surgery, your follow-up visits are not very important.
6. TRUE or FALSE: There is the possibility that another operation may be necessary after the initial procedure to obtain your best possible level of vision correction.
7. TRUE or FALSE: It is possible that you might still need to wear glasses or contacts, or that PRK could cause loss of vision.
8. TRUE or FALSE: You may experience mild to moderate discomfort for a few days after the procedure.
9. TRUE or FALSE: PRK will eliminate your need for reading glasses when you are over 40 years of age and experience presbyopia.
10. TRUE or FALSE: The program that I watched covered all the known and unknown risks and complications that have occurred in the past or could occur in the future.

Use this space to write any questions or concerns you wish to ask your doctor or a staff member:

ANSWERS:

1. TRUE: PRK will permanently change the shape of your cornea.
2. TRUE: There are no guarantees as to exactly how well you will see after PRK.
3. TRUE: You may experience side effects such as haze, glare, halos, light sensitivity, and dryness of the eyes that may not go away completely.
4. FALSE: It is possible to measure 20/20 but the 20/20 line could be slightly blurry.
5. FALSE: After the surgery, follow-up visits are very important.
6. TRUE: It is possible that you may require additional surgery to obtain your best possible level of vision correction.
7. TRUE: It is possible that you might still need glasses or contacts and that PRK could cause loss of vision.
8. TRUE: It is possible that you might still need glasses or contacts and that PRK could cause loss of vision.
9. FALSE: PRK will not eliminate your need for reading glasses when you are over 40 years of age, or presbyopic, unless you have the monovision or blended vision procedure.
10. FALSE: The program that I watched did not cover all risks, side effects, and complications that could possibly occur either now or in the future with PRK.

Signature of patient: _____ Date: _____