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Today's advanced outpatient cataract surgery is a far cry from the old days when hospital stays were required. Still, multiple visits before and after surgery are required to prepare for and monitor the healing process after this vision restoring procedure.

Many of our patients elect the co-management option for the post-surgery care. In this process, your primary eye care doctor determines that a cataract prevents good vision even with the best eye glasses or contact lens prescription; he will refer you to a surgeon for the cataract operation. The surgeon evaluates you before surgery and will see you until you have made initial good progress toward healing. Your referring optometrist will then take over monitoring of the eye until you are completely healed and are ready for your new glasses. Both doctors share their medical records and are available in the rare instance of problems after surgery.

There is no extra cost associated with the co-management process and often your follow-up visits are closer to home and more convenient. If you do not have a referring optometrist, you can elect to have co-management with any of our cooperating doctors. The choice is up to you.

If you have any question regarding our co-management process, please call our office at 541-672-2020.

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