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## **Post-Intravitreal Injection Information**

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### **Indications:**

- Injections into the eye (intravitreal injections) of Avastin, Lucentis, Eylea, Triesence or other medicines can be used to treat wet macular degeneration, diabetic macular edema, retinal vein occlusions, neovascular glaucoma, and other eye diseases.

### **What to expect:**

- Your eye will be made numb with anesthetic drops.
- Betadine (iodine) solution is used to prevent infection. This may cause irritation for several hours or up to 1 day after the injection. You may feel some stinging and tearing as a result. This is normal. You may use artificial tears to help soothe the eye. If using artificial tears, we recommend a fresh bottle to prevent contamination. Be sure not to contaminate the tip of the dropper. Do not put tap water in the eye.
- You may feel a quick “pinch” or some pressure with the injection.
- You may see some blood on the white of the eye (conjunctiva) from where the injection is placed. This can spread to cover a larger portion of the eye. This may not occur every time and does not injure the eye. This will resolve over 1 to 2 weeks.
- You may see small floaters for a short period after the injection. You may see a larger round bubble (or bubbles) at the bottom of your vision which is due to an air bubble and will go away in 1-2 days.
- Most patients need regular injections to maintain vision.

### **Precautions:**

- Because the eye will be numb, it is important to avoid rubbing your eye following the injection to prevent a scratch to the surface.
- Do not use eye make-up on the day of your injections in the future and avoid using eye make-up for the rest of the day following your injection.

### **In Case of a Problem:**

- **If you experience pain in the eye, many new floaters, or a dramatic drop in vision, it is very important to immediately call (866) 773-8462.**